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Introduced by M. of A. ENGLEBRIGHT, COLTON -- Multi-Sponsored by -- M. of A. HOOPER -- read once and referred to the Committee on Higher Education

AN ACT to amend the education law, in relation to providing that tuition benefits and scholarships awarded to students based upon their service in the armed forces shall not be included as income when calculating tuition assistance program awards

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK, REPRESENTED IN SENATE AND ASSEMBLY, DO ENACT AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. The opening paragraph of subdivision 5 of section 663 of the education law is designated paragraph (a) and a new paragraph (b) is added to read as follows:

(B) IN THE DETERMINATION OF INCOME FOR PURPOSES OF SECTION SIX HUNDRED SIXTY-SEVEN OF THIS ARTICLE IF, DURING THE ACADEMIC YEAR IN WHICH THE APPLICANT WILL RECEIVE AN AWARD, THE APPLICANT RECEIVED OR IS EXPECTING TO RECEIVE A TUITION BENEFIT AND/OR ANY SCHOLARSHIP, INCLUDING THE FEDERAL MONTGOMERY GI BILL, AWARDED FOR THAT ACADEMIC YEAR BASED ON SERVICE IN THE ARMED FORCES OF THE UNITED STATES, THAT AMOUNT AWARDED FOR MILITARY SERVICE SHALL NOT BE DEEMED APPLICABLE INCOME IN DETERMINING THE APPLICANT'S AWARD FOR THE ACADEMIC YEAR.

S 2. This act shall take effect immediately.

EXPLANATION--Matter in ITALICS (underscored) is new; matter in brackets [ ] is old law to be omitted.

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