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AN ACT to amend the education law, in relation to the definition of severely and permanently disabled for purposes of eligibility for certain scholarships and loans

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

Section 1. Section 601 of the education law is amended by adding a new subdivision 8 to read as follows:
8. "SEVERELY AND PERMANENTLY DISABLED", AS REFERENCED IN SECTIONS SIX HUNDRED FOUR, SIX HUNDRED EIGHT, SIX HUNDRED EIGHT-A, SIX HUNDRED SIXTY-EIGHT-D AND SIX HUNDRED SIXTY-EIGHT-E OF THIS TITLE, SHALL MEAN A PERSON WHO: (A) IS UNABLE TO ENGAGE IN ANY SUBSTANTIAL GAINFUL ACTIVITY BY REASON OF ANY MEDICALLY DETERMINABLE PHYSICAL OR MENTAL IMPAIRMENT THAT (I) CAN BE EXPECTED TO RESULT IN DEATH; (II) HAS LASTED FOR A CONTINUOUS PERIOD OF NOT LESS THAN SIXTY MONTHS; OR (III) CAN BE EXPECTED TO LAST FOR A CONTINUOUS PERIOD OF NOT LESS THAN SIXTY MONTHS; OR (B) HAS BEEN DETERMINED BY THE FEDERAL SECRETARY OF VETERANS AFFAIRS TO BE UNEMPLOYABLE DUE TO A SERVICE-CONNECTED DISABILITY.

S 2. This act shall take effect immediately.

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

