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Introduced by Sens. ADDABBO, BRESLIN, LATIMER, PANEPINTO, PARKER, PERKINS, SANDERS -- read twice and ordered printed, and when printed to be committed to the Committee on Veterans, Homeland Security and Military Affairs

AN ACT to amend the education law, in relation to granting academic credit at state operated institutions of the state university of New York and the senior colleges of the city university of New York to veterans

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

1     Section 1. The education law is amended by adding a new section 669-f  
2     to read as follows:

3     S 669-F. COURSE CREDIT FOR VETERANS. 1. FOR PURPOSES OF THIS SECTION,  
4     THE TERM "VETERAN" MEANS A PERSON, MALE OR FEMALE, RESIDENT OF THIS  
5     STATE, WHO HAS SERVED IN THE ACTIVE MILITARY OR NAVAL SERVICE OF THE  
6     UNITED STATES DURING A WAR IN WHICH THE UNITED STATES ENGAGED AND WHO  
7     HAS BEEN RELEASED FROM SUCH SERVICE BY ANY MEANS OTHER THAN BY DISHONOR-  
8     ABLE DISCHARGE, OR WHO HAS BEEN FURLOUGHED TO THE RESERVE.

9     2. EVERY VETERAN WHO IS ENROLLED ON A FULL-TIME BASIS AS AN UNDERGRAD-  
10    UATE STUDENT IN GOOD STANDING, AT AN INSTITUTION WITHIN THE STATE  
11    UNIVERSITY SYSTEM, SHALL UPON APPLICATION BE GRANTED UP TO SIX ACADEMIC  
12    CREDITS PER YEAR AND SIXTY CREDITS IN THE AGGREGATE TOWARDS HIS OR HER  
13    DEGREE FOR COMPLETION OF COURSES THAT WERE PART OF SUCH VETERAN'S MILI-  
14    TARY TRAINING OR SERVICE IF THE COMPLETED COURSES MEET THE STANDARDS OF  
15    THE AMERICAN COUNCIL ON EDUCATION OR ITS EQUIVALENT FOR THE AWARDING OF  
16    ACADEMIC CREDITS. NO FEE, TUITION OR OTHER CHARGE SHALL BE ASSESSED  
17    AGAINST A VETERAN WHO QUALIFIES FOR SUCH CREDIT PURSUANT TO THIS  
18    SECTION.

19    3. THE BOARDS OF TRUSTEES OF THE STATE UNIVERSITY AND THE CITY UNIVER-  
20    SITY OF NEW YORK SHALL ADOPT SUCH PROCEDURES AS ARE NECESSARY TO FULLY  
21    IMPLEMENT THE PROVISIONS OF THIS SECTION.

22    S 2. This act shall take effect on the first of July next succeeding  
23    the date on which it shall have become a law.

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

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