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Introduced by Sens. COMRIE, ADDABBO, LATIMER, MONTGOMERY, PERKINS -- read twice and ordered printed, and when printed to be committed to the Committee on Veterans, Homeland Security and Military Affairs -- recommitted to the Committee on Veterans, Homeland Security and Military Affairs in accordance with Senate Rule 6, sec. 8 -- committee discharged, bill amended, ordered reprinted as amended and recommitted to said committee

AN ACT to amend the executive law and the labor law, in relation to creating a veterans' jobs website

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

Section 1. Section 353 of the executive law is amended by adding a new subdivision 23 to read as follows:

23. TO DEVELOP, JOINTLY WITH THE COMMISSIONER OF LABOR, A WEBSITE WITH JOB LISTINGS, JOB TRAINING MATERIALS, AND JOB SEARCH INFORMATION EXCLUSIVELY FOR VETERANS, CARE GIVERS FOR DISABLED VETERANS, THE IMMEDIATE FAMILY MEMBERS OF DISABLED VETERANS AND IMMEDIATE FAMILY MEMBERS OF ACTIVE DUTY MILITARY STATIONED IN NEW YORK. THE WEBSITE SHALL CONTAIN EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES THAT ARE ONLY AVAILABLE THROUGH THIS WEBSITE AND NOT AVAILABLE ON ANY OTHER WEBSITE, JOB LISTING, BOARD, NEWSPAPER OR FORUM. THE WEBSITE SHALL BE INTERACTIVE WHERE APPLICANTS CAN PROVIDE RESUMES OR COMPLETE JOB APPLICATIONS AND CHECK THE STATUS OF THEIR APPLICATIONS AND REPORT THE OUTCOMES OF THEIR JOB SEARCHES. THE COMMISSIONER AND THE COMMISSIONER OF LABOR SHALL DEVELOP A PROCESS FOR PROVIDING EXCLUSIVE ACCESS TO THE WEBSITE TO VETERANS, CARE GIVERS FOR DISABLED VETERANS AND IMMEDIATE FAMILY MEMBERS OF ACTIVE DUTY MILITARY STATIONED IN NEW YORK.

S 2. Section 21 of the labor law is amended by adding a new subdivision 15 to read as follows:

15. SHALL WORK WITH THE COMMISSIONER OF VETERANS' AFFAIRS TO DEVELOP A WEBSITE AS SET FORTH IN SECTION THREE HUNDRED FIFTY-THREE OF THE EXECU-

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

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TIVE LAW. IN ADDITION, THE COMMISSIONER SHALL PREPARE A REPORT ANALYZING THE CURRENT EMPLOYMENT OF VETERANS, THE CARE GIVERS OF DISABLED VETERANS AND IMMEDIATE FAMILY MEMBERS OF ACTIVE DUTY MILITARY STATIONED IN NEW YORK; SUCH STUDY SHALL INCLUDE RATES OF UNEMPLOYMENT, AN ANALYSIS OF THE BARRIERS FACED IN BECOMING GAINFULLY EMPLOYED, ANALYSIS OF THE CONDITIONS THAT LEAD TO SUCCESSFUL EMPLOYMENT, AND PROVIDE RECOMMENDATIONS FOR REMOVING BARRIERS FACED IN FINDING GAINFUL EMPLOYMENT. SUCH REPORT SHALL BE PREPARED NO LATER THAN JANUARY FIRST, TWO THOUSAND SEVENTEEN AND BE UPDATED EVERY FIVE YEARS THEREAFTER. THE REPORT SHALL BE PROVIDED TO THE GOVERNOR AND LEGISLATURE AND PUBLISHED ON THE DEPARTMENT OF LABOR AND DIVISION OF VETERANS' AFFAIRS WEBSITES.

S 3. This act shall take effect immediately; provided, however, that the addition, amendment and/or repeal of any rule or regulation necessary for the implementation of this act on its effective date is authorized to be made and completed on or before such effective date.