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Introduced by M. of A. GLICK -- read once and referred to the Committee on Higher Education

AN ACT to amend the education law, in relation to the cumulative grade point average admission requirement for graduate-level teacher and educational leader programs

The People of the State of New York, represented in Senate and Assembly, do enact as follows:

1 Section 1. Section 210-a of the education law, as added by section 1 2 of subpart B of part EE of chapter 56 of the laws of 2015, is amended to 3 read as follows:

§ 210-a. Admission requirements for graduate-level teacher and educational leader programs. Each institution registered by the department with graduate-level teacher and leader education programs shall adopt rigorous selection criteria geared to predicting a candidate's academic success in its program, including but not limited to, a minimum score on 9 the graduate record examination or a substantially equivalent admission 10 examination, as determined by the institution, and achievement of a 11 minimum cumulative grade point average [ef 3.0 or higher] in the candidate's undergraduate program. Each program may exempt no more than 13 fifteen percent of any incoming class of students from such selection 14 criteria set forth in this section based on a student's demonstration of 15 potential to positively contribute to the teaching profession or other 16 extenuating circumstances pursuant to the regulations of the commissioner. A program shall report to the department the number of students 17 admitted pursuant to such exemption and the selection criteria used for 18 19 such exemptions.

20 § 2. This act shall take effect on the thirtieth day after it shall 21 have become a law.

EXPLANATION--Matter in <u>italics</u> (underscored) is new; matter in brackets
[-] is old law to be omitted.

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