# STATE OF NEW YORK

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# IN ASSEMBLY

January 23, 2018

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

AN ACT to amend the education law, in relation to international baccalaureate examinations

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

Section 1. Paragraph b of subdivision 5 of section 809 of the education law, as amended by chapter 542 of the laws of 1994, is amended to read as follows:

b. Notwithstanding any inconsistent provision of this section, the commissioner may, upon the submission of a written program plan, issue to such school a written waiver of such restrictions for students subject to the following provisions: (i) the student shall be in grade ten, eleven, or twelve; and (ii) the student shall be under the supervision of one or more teachers certified in science; and (iii) the student shall be pursuing an accelerated course of study in the sciences as defined by the commissioner in preparation for taking a state or national advanced placement examination **or international baccalaureate**. The commissioner shall issue a waiver of such restrictions for any teacher certified in science instructing such student. The written program plan shall include, but not be limited to: (i) the educational basis for requesting a waiver; (ii) the objective of the lesson or experiment; (iii) the methods and techniques to be used; and (iv) any other information required by the commissioner.

§ 2. Paragraph b of subdivision 2 of section 669-g of the education law, as added by section 1 of part Z of chapter 56 of the laws of 2015, is amended to read as follows:

b. graduated with a "with honors" distinction on a New York state regents diploma [~~or~~], received a score of 3 or higher on two or more advanced placement examinations**, received a score of 3 or higher on one or more international baccalaureate higher level examinations, or received a score of 4 or higher on one or more international baccalaureate standard level examinations**; or

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

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§ 3. This act shall take effect on the first of January next succeeding the date on which it shall have become a law; provided, however, that effective immediately, 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.