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Introduced by Sens. SERINO, AVELLA, CROCI, FELDER, LARKIN, MURPHY --  
read twice and ordered printed, and when printed to be committed to  
the Committee on Transportation

AN ACT to amend the public authorities law, in relation to a half fare  
rate program in the metropolitan transportation authority for veterans

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

1 Section 1. Subdivision 16 of section 1266 of the public authorities  
2 law, as amended by chapter 25 of the laws of 2000, is amended to read as  
3 follows:

4 16. Notwithstanding any other provision of law, the authority and any  
5 of its subsidiary corporations shall establish and implement a half fare  
6 rate program for, (a) persons with serious mental illness who are eligi-  
7 ble to receive supplemental security income benefits as defined pursuant  
8 to title sixteen of the federal social security act and section two  
9 hundred nine of the social services law, and (b) veterans. For purposes  
10 of this subdivision "veteran" shall mean a member of the armed forces of  
11 the United States who served and was honorably discharged or released  
12 under honorable circumstances from such service, and presents an author-  
13 ized veteran identification card, and who is a citizen of the United  
14 States or an alien lawfully admitted for permanent residence in the  
15 United States and who is a resident of the state of New York at the time  
16 of application for the half fare rate program.

17 § 2. This act shall take effect immediately.

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

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