STATE OF NEW YORK

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2017-2018 Regular Sessions

IN SENATE

January 17, 2017

Introduced by Sen. HANNON -- 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 military law, in relation to leave of absence for public employees who are war veterans to continue study

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

Section 1. Section 246 of the military law, as amended by chapter 43 of the laws of 1967, is amended to read as follows:

§ 246. Leave of absence for public employees who are war veterans to continue study. Notwithstanding the provisions of any law to the contrary, every public officer and employee, who served in the armed forces of the United States on or after September sixteenth, nineteen hundred forty, and prior to the termination of hostilities in world war II, or during the period of hostilities engaged in by the armed forces of the United States on and after June twenty-fifth, nineteen hundred fifty, or who served in the armed forces of the United States after January thirty-first, nineteen hundred fifty-five, and who is eligible under the provisions enacted by the congress of the United States known as [~~"Servicemen's Readjustment Act of nineteen hundred forty-four," or "Veterans' Readjustment Assistance Act of nineteen hundred fifty-two," or "Veterans' Readjustment Benefits Act of nineteen hundred sixty-six,"~~] **the "Post - 9/11 GI Bill", or "Montgomery GI Bill - Active Duty" (MGIB - AD), or "Montgomery GI Bill - Selected Reserve" (MGIB-SR), or "Reserve Educational Assistance Program" (REAP), or "Veterans Educational Assistance Program" (VEAP), or "Educational Assistance Test Program" (Section 901 of Public Law 96-342),** to continue the pursuit of studies or to take a refresher or retraining course shall be granted a leave of absence from his position for the period of such course of study, not to exceed four years. Such public officer or employee shall be reinstated to his position provided he makes application for such reinstatement within sixty days after the termination of such course of study.

§ 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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