STATE OF NEW YORK

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IN SENATE

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Introduced by Sen. ORTT -- read twice and ordered printed, and when printed to be committed to the Committee on Investigations and Government Operations -- committee discharged, bill amended, ordered reprinted as amended and recommitted to said committee

AN ACT to amend the tax law, in relation to establishing a credit against income tax for service dogs

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

- 1 Section 1. Section 606 of the tax law is amended by adding a new 2 subsection (ccc) to read as follows:
- 3 (ccc) Credit for service dogs. (1) For taxable years beginning on or
 4 after January first, two thousand seventeen, a taxpayer shall be allowed
 5 a credit as hereinafter provided, against the tax imposed by this arti6 cle, in an amount equal to the qualified service dog expenditures made
 7 by the taxpayer. Provided, however, the credit shall not exceed one
 8 thousand dollars.
- 9 (2) Tax credits allowed pursuant to this subsection shall be allowed 10 in the taxable year in which the expenditures were made.
- 11 (3) If the amount of the credit allowable under this subsection for
 12 any taxable year shall exceed the taxpayer's tax for such year, the
 13 excess may be carried over to the following year or years, and may be
 14 applied against the taxpayer's tax for such year or years, but shall not
 15 exceed one thousand dollars.
- 16 (4) The term "qualified service dog expenditures" shall mean, for
 17 purposes of this subsection, necessary expenses for maintaining a
 18 service dog, as defined in subdivision seven of section forty-seven-b of
 19 the civil rights law, including, but not limited to, food, veterinary
 20 care, training, boarding, and clothing.
- 21 § 2. This act shall take effect immediately and shall apply to taxable 22 years beginning on or after January 1, 2017.

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

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