

# STATE OF NEW YORK

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## IN ASSEMBLY

January 8, 2018

Introduced by M. of A. THIELE -- read once and referred to the Committee  
on Local Governments

AN ACT to amend the general municipal law, in relation to service award  
programs

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

1 Section 1. Paragraph (b) of subdivision 8 of section 219-d of the  
2 general municipal law, as amended by a chapter of the laws of 2017  
3 amending the general municipal law relating to service award programs,  
4 as proposed in legislative bills numbers S. 899 and A. 6873, is amended  
5 to read as follows:

6 (b) The entitlement age, the number of years of ambulance service  
7 required to obtain a nonforfeitable right to a service award, and the  
8 activities for which points shall be granted toward a year of ambulance  
9 service may be changed by resolution adopted by the affirmative vote of  
10 at least sixty percent of the governing board of the sponsor without  
11 referendum; provided, that, consistent with the provisions of subdivi-  
12 sion three of section two hundred [~~nineteen-m~~ nineteen-e of this [~~chap-~~  
13 ~~ter~~] article, if the effect of the amendment is to increase the number  
14 of points granted for the performance of the activity, decrease the  
15 amount of an activity required to earn the points granted for the  
16 performance of the activity, or both, such amendment shall be subject to  
17 a mandatory referendum. Any amendment to a service award program shall  
18 only take effect as of the first of January next succeeding completion  
19 of the proceedings required for adoption of the amendment and shall only  
20 apply prospectively.

21 § 2. This act shall take effect on the same date and in the same  
22 manner as a chapter of the laws of 2017 amending the general municipal  
23 law relating to service award programs as proposed in legislative bills  
24 numbers S. 899 and A. 6873, takes effect.

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

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