

STATE OF NEW YORK

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IN SENATE

January 6, 2017

Introduced by Sen. CARLUCCI -- read twice and ordered printed, and when printed to be committed to the Committee on Higher Education

AN ACT to amend the education law, in relation to disabled students seeking to increase duration limits for student financial aid awards

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

1 Section 1. Paragraph g of subdivision 4 of section 661 of the education law, as amended by section 1 of part Z of chapter 58 of the laws of 2 2011, is amended to read as follows:

3 g. For students who are disabled as defined by the Americans With 4 ~~[Disability]~~ Disabilities Act of 1990, 42 USC 12101, the full-time 5 attendance requirement is eliminated and the duration limit, as provided 6 in section six hundred sixty-seven of this article, may be increased up 7 to a period not to exceed six years as approved by the commissioner. 8 Such disabled students may be in part-time attendance, as defined by the 9 commissioner in order to be eligible to receive payments from the presi- 10 dent. The disabled student seeking assistance for a duration period 11 longer than allowable by law must demonstrate to the commissioner that 12 their disability prevented the completion of the enrolled program within 13 the maximum award period. 14

15 § 2. The commissioner of education shall have the authority to promul- 16 gate rules and regulations as necessary to implement the provisions of 17 this act.

18 § 3. This act shall take effect on the ninetieth day after it shall 19 have become a law.

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

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