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Introduced by Sen. MARCHIONE -- read twice and ordered printed, and when printed to be committed to the Committee on Investigations and Government Operations -- recommitted to the Committee on Investigations and Government Operations in accordance with Senate Rule 6, sec. 8 -committee discharged, bill amended, ordered reprinted as amended and recommitted to said committee

AN ACT to amend the tax law, in relation to allowing a tax credit for certain individuals obtaining hunting, fishing and trapping licenses

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

- Section 1. The tax law is amended by adding a new section 44 to read 2 as follows:
- § 44. Sportsman education instructor credit. (a) A taxpayer that is a 4 sportsman education instructor or an owner of a sportsman education 5 instructor shall be eligible for a credit against the tax imposed under article nine-A or twenty-two of this chapter, pursuant to the provisions 6 referenced in subdivision (c) of this section.
- 8 (b) A taxpayer who is a resident of this state and who fully certifies 9 as a sportsman education instructor, according to the guidelines of the 10 department of environmental education and who records twenty or more 11 hours of instructional service per year for three consecutive calendar years, is entitled to receive a tax credit in the amount of all fees for all resident licenses, privileges and stamps paid by said taxpayer to 13 14 obtain fishing, small game, big game, bowhunting, muzzle-loading and
- 15 turkey hunting licenses.

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- (c) Cross references: For application of the credit provided in this 16 17 <u>section</u>, <u>see the following provisions of this chapter:</u>
- 18 (1) Article 9-A: Section 210-B, subdivision 53.
- 19 (2) Article 22: Section 606, subsection (iii).

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

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1 \S 2. Section 210-B of the tax law is amended by adding a new subdivi-2 sion 53 to read as follows:

- 53. Sportsman education instructor credit. (a) Allowance of credit. A taxpayer shall be allowed a credit, to be computed as provided in section forty-four of this chapter, against the tax imposed by this article.
- 7 (b) Application of credit. The credit allowed under this subdivision 8 for any taxable year may not reduce the tax due for such year to less 9 than the amount prescribed in paragraph (d) of subdivision one of 10 section two hundred ten of this article. However, if the amount of credit allowed under this subdivision for any taxable year reduces the tax 11 to such amount or if the taxpayer otherwise pays tax based on the fixed 12 13 dollar minimum amount, any amount of credit thus not deductible in such 14 taxable year will be treated as an overpayment of tax to be credited or refunded in accordance with the provisions of section one thousand 15 16 eighty-six of this chapter. Provided, however, the provisions of 17 subsection (c) of section one thousand eighty-eight of this chapter notwithstanding, no interest will be paid thereon. 18
- 19 § 3. Subparagraph (B) of paragraph 1 of subsection (i) of section 606 20 of the tax law is amended by adding a new clause (xliv) to read as 21 follows:
- 22 (xliv) Sportsman education
 23 instructor credit under
 24 subsection (iii)

 Amount of credit under
 subdivision fifty-three of
 section two hundred ten-B
- 25 § 4. Section 606 of the tax law is amended by adding a new subsection 26 (iii) to read as follows:
- 27 (iii) Sportsman education instructor credit. (1) A taxpayer shall be 28 allowed a credit, to be computed as provided in section forty-four of 29 this chapter, against the tax imposed by this article.
- 30 (2) Application of credit. If the amount of credit allowed under this
 31 subsection for any taxable year exceeds the taxpayer's tax for such
 32 year, the excess will be treated as an overpayment of tax to be credited
 33 or refunded in accordance with the provisions of section six hundred
 34 eighty-six of this article, provided, however, that no interest will be
 35 paid thereon.
- 36 § 5. This act shall take effect immediately and shall apply only to taxable years beginning on or after January 1, 2019.