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Introduced by Sen. FUNKE -- 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 the regents establishing a process for colleges to become universities

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

Section 1. The education law is amended by adding a new section 216-d to read as follows:

§ 216-d. Process for becoming a university. 1. The regents shall establish a process for colleges to be allowed to become a university where the college:

a. is authorized by the regents to offer at least the following:

(i) a range of undergraduate programs;

(ii) fifteen master's programs; and

(iii) one doctoral program; and

b. meets or exceeds any other requirement deemed necessary by the regents.

2. Upon application by a college meeting the requirements in subdivision one of this section, the regents shall, in a timely manner, make a decision regarding the application of the college.

§ 2. This act shall take effect on the one hundred eightieth day after it shall have become a law.

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

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