AN ACT in relation to requiring SUNY and CUNY schools to refund students for housing credits and boarding charges used or charged for the period of time when such schools are closed or shut down due to the coronavirus pandemic

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

1    Section 1. Notwithstanding any other provision of law, all colleges and universities of the state university of New York and the city university of New York that close or shut down as a result of the coronavirus pandemic shall refund to each student attending such college or university, on a pro-rata basis, that portion of housing credits and boarding charges used or charged for the period beginning March 11, 2020 and ending on the date such college or university was scheduled to compete all classes and examinations for the spring semester of the 2020 academic year.

§ 2. Such pro rata amount required to be refunded pursuant to section one of this act shall be determined individually by each college and university of the state university of New York and the city university of New York.

§ 3. This act shall take effect immediately.

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