

# STATE OF NEW YORK

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2019-2020 Regular Sessions

## IN ASSEMBLY

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Introduced by M. of A. ORTIZ, COOK -- Multi-Sponsored by -- M. of A. GUNTHER -- read once and referred to the Committee on Governmental Operations

AN ACT to amend the military law, in relation to allowing certain veterans to ride public transportation free of charge

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

1 Section 1. The military law is amended by adding a new section 245-a  
2 to read as follows:

3 § 245-a. Free public transportation; certain war veterans. Notwith-  
4 standing any other provisions of law or the terms of any contract, a  
5 resident of the state who is a honorably discharged member of any branch  
6 of the armed forces of the United States who performed military service  
7 during a period of war shall be entitled, for the year immediately after  
8 his or her return to this state from such military service, to ride free  
9 of charge on every transportation provider in this state. The commis-  
10 sioner of transportation is authorized to promulgate regulations to  
11 carry out the provisions of this section. For purposes of this section,  
12 "transportation provider" shall mean any public, private or not-for-pro-  
13 fit entity utilizing public funds to provide or contract for public  
14 transportation services for the benefit of the general public or specif-  
15 ic client groups.

16 § 2. This act shall take effect on the one hundred twentieth day after  
17 it shall have become a law. Effective immediately the addition, amend-  
18 ment and/or repeal of any rule or regulation necessary for the implemen-  
19 tation of this act on its effective date are authorized to be made and  
20 completed on or before such date.

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

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