

STATE OF NEW YORK

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IN ASSEMBLY

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Introduced by M. of A. PHEFFER AMATO -- read once and referred to the
Committee on Veterans' Affairs

AN ACT to amend the executive law, in relation to the powers and duties
of local veterans' service agencies

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

1 Section 1. Subdivision 1 of section 358 of the executive law, as
2 amended by chapter 106 of the laws of 2003, is amended to read as
3 follows:

4 1. A local veterans' service agency shall have power under the direc-
5 tion of the state veterans' service agency, and it shall be its duty to
6 inform military and naval authorities of the United States and assist
7 members of the armed forces and veterans, who are residents of this
8 state, and their families, in relation to (1) matters pertaining to
9 educational training and retraining services and facilities, (2) health,
10 medical and rehabilitation services and facilities, (3) provisions of
11 federal, state and local laws and regulations affording special rights
12 and privileges to members of the armed forces and war veterans and their
13 families, (4) employment and re-employment services, [~~and~~] (5) the proc-
14 ess of submitting an application for a discharge upgrade to the
15 discharge upgrade advisory board, and (6) other matters of similar,
16 related or appropriate nature. The local veterans' service agency may
17 also assist families of members of the reserve components of the armed
18 forces and the organized militia ordered into active duty to ensure that
19 they are made aware of and are receiving all appropriate support avail-
20 able to them and are placed in contact with the agencies responsible for
21 such support, including, but not limited to, the division of military
22 and naval affairs and other state agencies responsible for providing
23 such support. The local veterans' service agency also shall perform such
24 other duties as may be assigned by the state director.

25 § 2. This act shall take effect on the sixtieth day after it shall
26 have become a law.

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

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