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## IN SENATE

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Introduced by Sens. STAVISKY, ADDABBO, GAUGHRAN, MONTGOMERY, RIVERA -read twice and ordered printed, and when printed to be committed to the Committee on Higher Education -- committee discharged, bill amended, ordered reprinted as amended and recommitted to said committee

AN ACT to amend the education law, in relation to providing a program fee option for graduate students

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

Section 1. Paragraph h of subdivision 2 of section 355 of the education law is amended by adding a new subparagraph 11 to read as follows: 3 (11) The trustees shall also establish an access fee option that would allow a student who is a candidate for a graduate or professional degree 5 and has completed at least thirty credits, and is on leave from fulltime study, to maintain access to certain facilities within the state 7 university such as libraries, computers and/or student centers in order 8 to continue a research project or to pursue other academic requirements established by the state university, without being enrolled in regular 9 10 credit courses. Such fee shall not exceed the cost of one credit of the 11 <u>student's program of graduate or doctorate course work as established by</u> 12 the trustees of the state university. Such fee shall not be charged to 13 a graduate student serving a full-time appointment as a graduate assist-14 ant, graduate research assistant, graduate teaching assistant, graduate research associate, or graduate teaching associate. 15 16

§ 2. This act shall take effect immediately.

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

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