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IN SENATE

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Introduced by Sen. ORTT -- read twice and ordered printed, and when printed to be committed to the Committee on Veterans, Homeland Security and Military Affairs

AN ACT to amend the executive law, in relation to the cost of maintenance and operation of 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 359 of the executive law, as 2 amended by chapter 196 of the laws of 2009, is amended to read as 3 follows:

4 1. A local director shall designate the location of the local and 5 branch offices of the local veterans' service agency within his or her б jurisdiction, which offices shall be open during convenient hours. The 7 [cost of maintenance and operation of a county veterang' service agency shall be a county charge and the cost of maintenance and operation of a 8 city veterans' service agency shall be a city charge, excepting that 9 10 **the**] state director with the approval of the veterans' affairs commis-11 sion shall allot and pay, from state moneys made available to him or her 12 for such purposes, to each county veterans' service agency and each city veterans' service agency, an amount equal to [fifty per centum of] its 13 expenditures for maintenance and operation approved by the state direc-14 tor, provided that in no event shall the amount allotted and paid for 15 such approved expenditures incurred in any given year exceed (1) in the 16 case of any county veterans' service agency in a county having a popu-17 18 lation of not more than one hundred thousand or in the case of any city 19 veterans' service agency in a city having a population of not more than 20 one hundred thousand, the sum of [ten] twenty thousand dollars, nor (2) 21 in the case of any county veterans' service agency in a county having a 22 population in excess of one hundred thousand excluding the population of 23 any city therein which has a city veterans' service agency, the sum of

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

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[ten] twenty thousand dollars, and, in addition thereto, the sum of 1 [five] ten thousand dollars for each one hundred thousand, or major 2 3 portion thereof, of the population of the county in excess of one 4 hundred thousand excluding the population of any city therein which has 5 a city veterans' service agency, nor (3) in the case of any city veter-6 ans' service agency in a city having a population in excess of one hundred thousand, the sum of [ten] twenty thousand dollars, and, in 7 8 addition thereto, the sum of [five] ten thousand dollars for each one 9 hundred thousand, or major portion thereof, of the population of the 10 city in excess of one hundred thousand. Such population shall be certi-11 fied in the same manner as provided by section fifty-four of the state 12 finance law.

13 § 2. This act shall take effect immediately.