STATE OF NEW YORK

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IN SENATE

March 22, 2019

Introduced by Sen. HELMING -- read twice and ordered printed, and when printed to be committed to the Committee on Higher Education

AN ACT to amend the education law, in relation to the New York state science, technology, engineering and mathematics incentive program

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

Section 1. Subdivision 1 of section 669-e of the education law, as amended by chapter 329 of the laws of 2018, is amended to read as follows:

4 1. Undergraduate students who are matriculated in an approved under-5 graduate program leading to a career in science, technology, engineering or mathematics at a New York state public institution of higher educaб 7 tion for the purpose of subdivision two of this section, or a New York 8 state private degree granting institution of higher education for the 9 purpose of subdivision two-a of this section, shall be eligible for an 10 award under this section, provided the applicant: (a) [graduates from a 11 high school located in New York state during or after the two thousand thirteen fourteen school year] is a resident of New York state; and (b) 12 13 has a certificate of graduation from a recognized high school within New 14 York state from the two thousand thirteen--fourteen school year or 15 after, or the recognized equivalent of such certificate, or received a 16 passing score on a federally approved ability to benefit test that has 17 been identified by the board of regents as satisfying the eligibility 18 requirements of this section and has been independently administered and 19 evaluated as defined by the commissioner; and [(b)] (c) graduates within 20 the top ten percent of his or her high school class or the recognized 21 equivalent, as defined by the commissioner; and [(c)] (d) enrolls in 22 full-time study each term beginning in the fall term after his or her 23 high school graduation in an approved undergraduate program in science, 24 technology, engineering or mathematics, as defined by the corporation, 25 at a New York state institution of higher education; and [(d)] (e) signs

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

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1 a contract with the corporation agreeing that his or her award will be 2 converted to a student loan in the event the student fails to comply 3 with the terms of this program as set forth in subdivision four of this 4 section; and [(e)] (f) complies with the applicable provisions of this 5 article and all requirements promulgated by the corporation for the 6 administration of the program.

7 § 2. This act shall take effect immediately.