STATE OF NEW YORK

5299

2019-2020 Regular Sessions

IN SENATE

April 24, 2019

Introduced by Sen. MAY -- read twice and ordered printed, and when printed to be committed to the Committee on Cultural Affairs, Tourism, Parks and Recreation

AN ACT to authorize the New York state council on the arts to provide awards to encourage and honor young writers in New York state

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

Section 1. Notwithstanding any other provision of law, rule, regulation or policy to the contrary, it shall be permissible for the New York state council on the arts to select each summer, 10 writers between the ages of 12 and 16, inclusive, to each receive an award with an honorarium of $3,000; if such honorarium and award is established in statute.

The procedures and guidelines as are necessary to effect the provisions of this act shall be established by the New York state council on the arts, but shall require at a minimum, that the candidates be residents of New York state, be between the ages of 12 and 16, inclusive, and be engaged in productive and meritorious creative writing endeavors as defined by the council, and that such awards will be granted in the summer months annually.

§ 2. This act shall take effect immediately.

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

LBD11302-01-9