

# STATE OF NEW YORK

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2021-2022 Regular Sessions

## IN SENATE

January 30, 2021

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 section 42 of part AA of chapter 56 of the laws of 2019, is  
3 amended to read as 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  
6 jurisdiction, which offices shall be open during convenient hours. The  
7 ~~[cost of maintenance and operation of a county veterans' service agency~~  
8 ~~shall be a county charge and the cost of maintenance and operation of a~~  
9 ~~city veterans' service agency shall be a city charge, excepting that~~  
10 ~~the]~~ state director with the approval of the veterans' services 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  
13 veterans' service agency, an amount equal to ~~[fifty per centum of]~~ its  
14 expenditures for maintenance and operation approved by the state direc-  
15 tor, provided that in no event shall the amount allotted and paid for  
16 such approved expenditures incurred in any given year exceed (1) in the  
17 case of any county veterans' service agency in a county having a popu-  
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  
24 ~~[ten]~~ twenty thousand dollars, and, in addition thereto, the sum of

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

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

12 § 2. This act shall take effect immediately.