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Introduced by Sen. COMRIE -- 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 and the labor law, in relation to creating a veterans' jobs website

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

Section 1. Subdivisions 24 and 25 of section 353 of the executive law, subdivisions 24 as added by chapters 481 and 571 of the laws of 2019, are renumbered subdivisions 25, 26, and 27 and a new subdivision 28 is added to read as follows:

28. To develop, jointly with the commissioner of labor, a website with job listings, job training materials, and job search information exclusively for veterans, care givers for disabled veterans, the immediate family members of disabled veterans and immediate family members of active duty military stationed in New York. The website shall contain employment opportunities that are only available through this website and not available on any other website, job listing, board, newspaper or forum. The website shall be interactive where applicants can provide resumes or complete job applications and check the status of their applications and report the outcomes of their job searches. The commissioner and the commissioner of labor shall develop a process for providing exclusive access to the website to veterans, care givers for disabled veterans and immediate family members of active duty military stationed in New York.

§ 2. Section 21 of the labor law is amended by adding a new subdivision 16 to read as follows:

16. Shall work with the commissioner of veterans' affairs to develop a website as set forth in section three hundred fifty-three of the executive law. In addition, the commissioner shall prepare a report analyzing the current employment of veterans, the care givers of disabled veterans

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

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and immediate family members of active duty military stationed in New York; such study shall include rates of unemployment, an analysis of the barriers faced in becoming gainfully employed, analysis of the conditions that lead to successful employment, and provide recommendations for removing barriers faced in finding gainful employment. Such report shall be prepared no later than January first, two thousand twenty-two and be updated every five years thereafter. The report shall be provided to the governor and legislature and published on the department of labor and division of veterans' affairs websites.

§ 3. This act shall take effect immediately. Effective immediately the addition, amendment and/or repeal of any rule or regulation necessary for the implementation of this act on its effective date are authorized to be made and completed on or before such effective date.