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IN SENATE

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

AN ACT to amend the education law, in relation to advance enrollment of military-connected students

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

1 Section 1. Subdivision 18 of section 3302 of the education law, as
2 added by section 1 of part A of chapter 328 of the laws of 2014, is
3 amended and a new subdivision 20 is added to read as follows:

4 18. "Uniformed service" or "uniformed services" means the Army, Navy,
5 Air Force, Marine Corps (including Space Force), Coast Guard as well as
6 the Commissioned Corps of the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Adminis-
7 tration, and Public Health Services.

8 20. The term "military-connected student" shall mean a student who is
9 the dependent of either a person in the active military service of the
10 United States or in a full time status during active service with a
11 force of the organized militia.

12 § 2. The education law is amended by adding a new section 3304-a to
13 read as follows:

14 § 3304-a. Military-connected students; advance enrollment. A militar-
15 y-connected student whose parent or guardian is being relocated to the
16 state under military orders and is transferred to or is pending transfer
17 to a military installation within the state, shall be deemed to be a
18 resident pupil of a school district for the purposes of enrollment
19 pursuant to section three thousand two hundred two of this title. A
20 school district shall permit military-connected students to enroll prel-
21 iminarily by remote registration without charge and shall not require
22 the parents or guardians of the military-connected student or the
23 student himself or herself to physically appear at a location within the
24 district to register the student, if the parents or guardians present
25 evidence of military orders that a parent or guardian will be stationed

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

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1 in this state during the current or following school year. The parents
2 or guardians may use an address within the school district where the
3 military-connected student is to be enrolled of a temporary on-base
4 billeting facility, a purchased or leased home or apartment, or federal
5 government or public-private venture off-base military housing. Proof of
6 required residency shall not be required at the time of the remote
7 registration but shall be required within ten days of the student's
8 attendance in the school district.

9 § 3. This act shall take effect immediately.