STATE OF NEW YORK

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IN SENATE

April 29, 2022

Introduced by Sen. COONEY -- 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 an accredited engineering technology degree

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

Section 1. Paragraph 2 of subdivision 1 of section 7206 of the education law, as amended by chapter 465 of the laws of 2021, is amended to read as follows:

(2) Education: have received an education, including a bachelor's or higher degree based on a program in engineering, **an accredited engineering technology degree,** or the substantial equivalent, in accordance with the commissioner's regulations;

§ 2. Section 7206 of the education law is amended by adding a new subdivision 5 to read as follows:

5. For the purposes of this section, an applicant with a bachelor's degree or higher in engineering technology and an applicant with a bachelor's degree or higher in engineering shall have the same number of education and experience credit requirements, shall have the same eligibility for an identification card as an "engineer in training", as well as examination and examination eligibility requirements, in accordance with the commissioner's regulations.

§ 3. This act shall take effect on the one hundred eightieth day after it shall have become a law and shall apply to applications for licensure as a professional engineer received on or after such effective date. 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.

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

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