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IN ASSEMBLY

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Introduced by M. of A. BUTTENSCHON -- read once and referred to the Committee on Education -- committee discharged, bill amended, ordered reprinted as amended and recommitted to said committee

AN ACT to amend the education law, in relation to grants to cover the costs of school resource officers and authorizing boards of cooperative educational services to enter into contracts with local police entities to provide school resource officers

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

Section 1. Section 3641 of the education law is amended by adding a new subdivision 18 to read as follows:

18. School resource officer grant. a. For the two thousand twenty-three--two thousand twenty-four school year and subsequent school years, eligible school districts shall receive grants in aid equal to one hundred percent of the combined annual salaries paid to school resource officers employed at schools in the district.

b. For purposes of this section, the term "school resource officer" shall mean a school resource officer, school safety officer, school security officer, school police officer, or any other substantially similar position or office, that is designed to provide improved public safety and/or security on school grounds. Such school resource officer may be a retired police officer, a retired state trooper, a retired deputy sheriff, a state trooper, a police officer in the active duty service of a town, city or village, or a deputy sheriff from a county sheriff's department.

§ 2. Paragraph h of subdivision 4 of section 1950 of the education law is amended by adding a new subparagraph 14 to read as follows:

(14) To enter into contracts with local police entities to provide school resource officers, as such term is defined in subdivision eighteen of section thirty-six hundred forty-one of this chapter, provided that the costs of such school resource officers shall be eligible for

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

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grants to the same extent and on the same basis as eligible school districts pursuant to subdivision eighteen of section thirty-six hundred forty-one of this chapter.

§ 3. This act shall take effect immediately.