

STATE OF NEW YORK

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2023-2024 Regular Sessions

IN ASSEMBLY

May 18, 2023

Introduced by M. of A. PHEFFER AMATO -- (at request of the Division of Veterans Services) -- read once and referred to the Committee on Governmental Employees

AN ACT to amend the civil service law, in relation to eliminating the "wartime service" requirement

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

Section 1. Subdivision 1 of section 55-c of the civil service law, as amended by chapter 340 of the laws of 2008, is amended to read as follows:

1. The commission may determine up to five hundred positions with duties such as can be performed by disabled veterans and veterans with disabilities who are found otherwise qualified to perform satisfactorily the duties of any such position. Upon such determination, the said positions shall be classified in the noncompetitive class, and may be filled only by veterans of the armed forces of the United States [~~who served therein during time of war, as defined in paragraph (c) of subdivision one of section eighty-five of this chapter, and~~] (a) who establish by appropriate documentary evidence that they are disabled veterans, as defined in paragraph (b) of subdivision one of section eighty-five of this chapter, or (b) by those veterans, as defined in paragraph (a) of subdivision one of section eighty-five of this chapter, who shall have been certified by the employee health service of the department as being disabled but capable of performing the duties of said positions. Priority in certification and referral of both such disabled veterans and certified disabled but capable veterans shall be given to those veterans who received a wound in combat, as documented by the awarding of the purple heart, as authorized by the United States department of defense, and that wound is the cause of, or a substantially contributing factor to, the degree of impairment, who otherwise meet the requirements of this section. The number of veterans appointed pursuant to this section shall not exceed five hundred.

§ 2. This act shall take effect immediately.

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

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