STATE OF NEW YORK

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IN ASSEMBLY

October 13, 2023

Introduced by M. of A. DURSO -- read once and referred to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs

AN ACT to amend the veterans' services law, in relation to establishing the "Vets to Vollies" program

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

Section 1. The veterans' services law is amended by adding a new section 29-b to read as follows:

§ 29-b. Vets to vollies. 1. The department shall create a statewide vets to vollies program for counties that wish to participate in such program. The purpose of such program is to encourage veterans or recently discharged military personnel to join their local fire department or emergency medical service agency.

2. Such program shall collaborate and coordinate with all applicable county agencies to conduct extensive outreach programs at active military installations and local veteran service organizations. Such outreach programs shall discuss the many benefits available to potential first responders on a local and statewide level and how to become involved.

§ 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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