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## IN ASSEMBLY

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Introduced by M. of A. BUTTENSCHON -- read once and referred to the  
Committee on Higher Education

AN ACT to amend the education law, in relation to tuition scholarship  
award programs for certain resident and non-resident medical students

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

1 Section 1. The education law is amended by adding two new sections  
2 669-i and 669-j to read as follows:

3 § 669-i. Full-tuition scholarship award program for certain resident  
4 medical students. 1. A full-tuition scholarship award shall be made to  
5 an applicant who is matriculated in an approved medical program and who  
6 complies with the applicable provisions of this section and all require-  
7 ments promulgated by the corporation for the administration of the  
8 program. For purposes of this section, an "approved medical program"  
9 shall mean a post-collegiate level program offered by a unit of the  
10 state university of New York, a unit of the city university of New York,  
11 or other state-supported medical school approved by the commissioner,  
12 leading to a degree of doctor of medicine, "M.D.", doctor of osteopathy,  
13 "D.O.", or equivalent degree in accordance with the commissioner's regu-  
14 lations.

15 2. Within amounts appropriated therefor and based on availability of  
16 funds, awards shall be granted beginning with the two thousand twenty-  
17 six--two thousand twenty-seven academic year and thereafter to appli-  
18 cants that the corporation has determined are eligible to receive such  
19 awards.

20 3. An eligible recipient shall not receive an award for more than four  
21 years of full-time study in an approved medical program or for more than  
22 the actual number of years required to complete such a program if  
23 enrolled on a full-time basis.

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

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1 4. A recipient shall agree to reside exclusively in New York state,  
2 and shall not be employed in any other state, for a continuous number of  
3 years equal to the duration of the award received within six months of  
4 receipt of such recipient's final award payment, and sign a contract  
5 with the corporation to have such recipient's full award converted to a  
6 student loan according to a schedule to be determined by the corporation  
7 if such student fails to fulfill such requirement.

8 5. Recipients shall receive an annual payment for the successful  
9 completion of an academic year, equal to the annual tuition charged to  
10 state resident students attending an approved medical program on a full-  
11 time basis.

12 6. The corporation is authorized to promulgate rules and regulations  
13 necessary for the implementation of the provisions of this section.

14 § 669-j. Tuition scholarship award program for certain non-resident  
15 medical students. 1. A tuition scholarship award shall be made to an  
16 applicant who: (a) is matriculated in an approved medical program, (b)  
17 is a non-resident who lives within a one hundred fifty mile radius of  
18 any border of New York state, and (c) complies with the applicable  
19 provisions of this section and all requirements promulgated by the  
20 corporation for the administration of the program. For purposes of this  
21 section, an "approved medical program" shall mean a post-collegiate  
22 level program offered by a unit of the state university of New York, a  
23 unit of the city university of New York, or other state-supported  
24 medical school approved by the commissioner, leading to a degree of  
25 doctor of medicine, "M.D.", doctor of osteopathy, "D.O.", or equivalent  
26 degree in accordance with the commissioner's regulations.

27 2. Within amounts appropriated therefor and based on availability of  
28 funds, awards shall be granted beginning with the two thousand twenty-  
29 six--two thousand twenty-seven academic year and thereafter to appli-  
30 cants that the corporation has determined are eligible to receive such  
31 awards.

32 3. An eligible recipient shall not receive an award for more than four  
33 years of full-time study in an approved medical program or for more than  
34 the actual number of years required to complete such a program if  
35 enrolled on a full-time basis.

36 4. Recipients shall receive an annual payment for the successful  
37 completion of an academic year, equal to two-thirds of the annual  
38 tuition charged to non-resident students attending an approved medical  
39 program on a full-time basis.

40 5. The corporation is authorized to promulgate rules and regulations  
41 necessary for the implementation of the provisions of this section.

42 § 2. This act shall take effect immediately and shall apply to any  
43 eligible applicant beginning with the 2026-2027 academic year.