§ 664. Concurrent awards. 1. a. No person shall receive benefits concurrently from more than one academic performance award under this chapter, except for the regents scholarship in Cornell university. Nor shall any person receive benefits from an academic performance award under this chapter concurrently with any scholarship, grant, or educational assistance under federal law that, in the judgment of the commissioner would duplicate the purpose of such academic performance award, except United States war orphan educational benefits or benefits under the veterans' readjustment benefits act of nineteen hundred sixty-six.

b. A person may receive concurrently a tuition assistance program award, a regents award for children of deceased and disabled veterans and a regents award for children of deceased police officers, firefighters and volunteer firefighters, and correction officers of the state or any political subdivision thereof, and may also receive benefits under one or all of these awards concurrently with an academic performance award or federal or other awards. However, in the case of the regents awards for children of deceased state correction officers and state civilian employees of a correctional facility received pursuant to the provisions of section six hundred sixty-nine of this article, no person shall receive benefits under this award concurrently with any other general or academic performance award under this chapter, or with any scholarship, grant, or educational assistance under federal law that, in the judgment of the commissioner would duplicate the purposes of such award.

c. A person may receive concurrently a tuition assistance award and a scholarship for academic achievement pursuant to subdivision eighteen of section three hundred fifty-five of this chapter.

2. Where concurrent use of two or more awards is not permitted under this section, a student qualifying for two or more awards must choose which award he wishes to accept.

3. The board shall promulgate, subject to the approval of the regents, rules and regulations which shall govern the use of state awards and

loans concurrently with awards and loans granted to a student by any other political entity or subdivision, institute, corporation, agency, or foundation.