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AN ACT to amend the economic development law, the New York state urban development corporation act and the executive law, in relation to small business crime prevention services

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK, REPRESENTED IN SENATE AND ASSEMBLY, DO ENACT AS FOLLOWS:

1 Section 1. The economic development law is amended by adding a new
2 section 139 to read as follows:
3 S 139. SMALL BUSINESS CRIME PREVENTION SERVICES PROGRAM. 1. THERE IS
4 HEREBY ESTABLISHED WITHIN THE DIVISION A SMALL BUSINESS CRIME PREVENTION
5 SERVICES PROGRAM.
6 2. THE SMALL BUSINESS CRIME PREVENTION SERVICES PROGRAM, DIRECTLY AND
7 IN CONJUNCTION WITH OTHER DIVISIONS OF THE DEPARTMENT AND WITH OTHER
8 AGENCIES OF THE STATE, FEDERAL AGENCIES OR LOCAL GOVERNMENTS, SHALL
9 PROVIDE SMALL BUSINESSES WITH ACCESS TO THE FOLLOWING SERVICES:
10 (A) INFORMATION ON STRATEGIES, BEST PRACTICES AND PROGRAMS OFFERING
11 TRAINING AND ASSISTANCE IN PREVENTION OF CRIMES IN AND AROUND THE PREM-
12 ISES OF SMALL BUSINESSES OR OTHERWISE AFFECTING SMALL BUSINESSES,
13 INCLUDING BUT NOT LIMITED TO: ASSAULT, ARSON AND OTHER VIOLENT FELONY
14 OFFENSES; ROBBERY, BURGLARY, THEFT, IDENTITY THEFT, COUNTERFEITING,
15 CHECK AND CREDIT CARD FRAUD AND OTHER FRAUD; AND VANDALISM, GRAFFITI AND
16 OTHER PROPERTY DAMAGE;
17 (B) INFORMATION ON ELIGIBILITY AND APPLICATIONS FOR FINANCIAL ASSIST-
18 ANCE FOR SMALL BUSINESS CRIME PREVENTION SERVICES UNDER PARAGRAPH (L) OF
19 SUBDIVISION ONE OF SECTION SIXTEEN-M OF SECTION ONE OF CHAPTER ONE
20 HUNDRED SEVENTY-FOUR OF THE LAWS OF NINETEEN HUNDRED SIXTY-EIGHT;
21 (C) INFORMATION ON ELIGIBILITY AND APPLICATIONS FOR OTHER PROGRAMS OF
22 FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE FOR SMALL BUSINESS CRIME PREVENTION THAT MAY FROM

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

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1 TIME TO TIME BE AVAILABLE FROM THE DEPARTMENT OR OTHER AGENCIES OF THE
2 STATE, FEDERAL AGENCIES OR LOCAL GOVERNMENTS;

3 (D) INFORMATION ON PROTECTING THE ASSETS OF SMALL BUSINESSES FROM
4 CRIME, INCLUDING RISK REDUCTION STRATEGIES AND INSURANCE AVAILABILITY;
5 AND

6 (E) INFORMATION ON RESPONSES TO CRIME, INCLUDING REPORTING OF CRIMES,
7 SUBMITTING INSURANCE CLAIMS AND CRIME VICTIM ASSISTANCE PROGRAMS.

8 3. THE SMALL BUSINESS CRIME PREVENTION SERVICES PROGRAM SHALL, WITH
9 THE ASSISTANCE OF THE SMALL BUSINESS ADVISORY BOARD AND OTHER APPROPRI-
10 ATE STATE AGENCIES, IDENTIFY ISSUES RELATING TO CRIME AFFECTING SMALL
11 BUSINESSES AND ASSIST THE ADVISORY BOARD AND THE DIVISION IN MAKING
12 RECOMMENDATIONS FOR LEGISLATIVE, REGULATORY AND PROGRAMMATIC ACTIONS TO
13 ADDRESS SUCH ISSUES.

14 S 2. Paragraph (k) of subdivision 1 of section 16-m of section 1 of
15 chapter 174 of the laws of 1968, constituting the New York state urban
16 development corporation act, as added by section 4 of part FF of chapter
17 59 of the laws of 2006, is amended and a new paragraph (l) is added to
18 read as follows:

19 (k) Assistance for regional partnership proposals, as provided in
20 subdivision 12 of section 3154 of the public authorities law[.]; AND

21 (L) LOANS, LOAN GUARANTEES, INTEREST SUBSIDIES AND GRANTS TO SMALL
22 BUSINESSES, MUNICIPALITIES, NOT-FOR-PROFIT CORPORATIONS OR OTHER ORGAN-
23 IZATIONS FOR THE PURPOSE OF PREVENTING CRIMES AGAINST SMALL BUSINESSES
24 OR ON THE PREMISES OR IN THE VICINITY OF SMALL BUSINESSES, INCLUDING
25 SUCH ACTIVITIES AS INITIATING OR MAINTAINING BUSINESS WATCH PROGRAMS,
26 INSTALLATION OF LIGHTING, SECURITY EQUIPMENT AND OTHER PHYSICAL IMPROVE-
27 MENTS TO PREVENT OR DETER CRIMINAL ACTIVITIES, AND THE DEVELOPMENT AND
28 DISSEMINATION OF INFORMATION TO OWNERS, OPERATORS AND EMPLOYEES OF SMALL
29 BUSINESSES ON EFFECTIVE CRIME PREVENTION STRATEGIES. PREFERENCE IN
30 AWARDED ASSISTANCE PURSUANT TO THIS PARAGRAPH SHALL BE GIVEN TO
31 PROJECTS THAT WILL BENEFIT DISTRESSED AREAS OR OTHER AREAS WITH A DEMON-
32 STRATED NEED BASED ON CRIME STATISTICS, PROJECTS THAT PROVIDE A LOCAL OR
33 PRIVATE-SECTOR MATCH, AND PROJECTS THAT DEMONSTRATE A LIKELIHOOD OF
34 POSITIVE IMPACT ON CRIME PREVENTION. THE DIVISION OF CRIMINAL JUSTICE
35 SERVICES SHALL PROVIDE ASSISTANCE IN THE DEVELOPMENT OF THE PROGRAM OF
36 SMALL BUSINESS CRIME PREVENTION ASSISTANCE.

37 S 3. Section 837 of the executive law is amended by adding a new
38 subdivision 19 to read as follows:

39 19. PROVIDE ADVICE AND ASSISTANCE TO THE DIVISION FOR SMALL BUSINESS
40 IN DEVELOPING AND OPERATING A PROGRAM OF SMALL BUSINESS CRIME PREVENTION
41 SERVICES PURSUANT TO SECTION ONE HUNDRED THIRTY-NINE OF THE ECONOMIC
42 DEVELOPMENT LAW, AND PROVIDE ADVICE AND ASSISTANCE TO THE URBAN DEVELOP-
43 MENT CORPORATION IN THE DEVELOPMENT OF THE PROGRAM OF SMALL BUSINESS
44 CRIME PREVENTION ASSISTANCE PURSUANT TO PARAGRAPH (L) OF SUBDIVISION ONE
45 OF SECTION SIXTEEN-M OF SECTION ONE OF CHAPTER ONE HUNDRED SEVENTY-FOUR
46 OF THE LAWS OF NINETEEN HUNDRED SIXTY-EIGHT.

47 S 4. This act shall take effect on the first of April next succeeding
48 the date on which it shall have become a law; provided, however, that
49 the department of economic development, the New York state urban devel-
50 opment corporation and the division of criminal justice services shall
51 be immediately authorized to take any and all actions necessary to fully
52 implement the provisions of this act on such date; and further provided
53 that the amendments to section 16-m of the urban development corporation
54 act made by section two of this act shall not affect the expiration of
55 such section and shall be deemed to expire therewith.