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AN ACT to amend the correction law, in relation to the maintenance of information on sex offenders, registration and verification by sex offenders, the subdirectory of sex offenders, and the penalty for the failure of a sex offender to comply with verification and registration requirements

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

Section 1. Paragraphs (a) and (e) of subdivision 1 of section 168-b of the correction law, paragraph (a) as amended by chapter 67 of the laws of 2008 and paragraph (e) as amended by chapter 532 of the laws of 2011, are amended and a new paragraph (e-1) is added to read as follows:

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- (a) The sex offender's name, all aliases used, SOCIAL SECURITY NUMBER, date of birth, sex, race, height, weight, eye color, driver's license number, LICENSE PLATE NUMBER AND DESCRIPTION OF ANY MOTOR VEHICLE OWNED OR OPERATED BY THE SEX OFFENDER, home address and/or expected place of domicile, any internet accounts with internet access providers belonging to such offender and internet identifiers that such offender uses.
- 11 (e) [If the sex offender has been given a level two or three desig-12 nation, such] THE offender's employment address and/or expected place of 13 employment.
- 14 (E-1) THE CRIMINAL HISTORY OF THE SEX OFFENDER, INCLUDING THE DATE OF 15 ALL ARRESTS AND CONVICTIONS; THE STATUS OF PAROLE, PROBATION OR RELEASE 16 UNDER SUPERVISION; REGISTRATION STATUS; THE EXISTENCE OF ANY OUTSTANDING 17 ARREST WARRANTS FOR THE SEX OFFENDER; AND A PHOTOCOPY OF THE SEX 18 OFFENDER'S DRIVER'S LICENSE OR GOVERNMENT ISSUED IDENTIFICATION CARD.

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

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S 2. Subdivisions 1 and 2 of section 168-c of the correction law, as amended by chapter 11 of the laws of 2002, are amended to read as follows:

- In the case of any sex offender, it shall be the duty of the department, hospital or local correctional facility at least ten calendar days prior to the release or discharge of any sex offender from a correctional facility, hospital or local correctional facility to notify the division of the contemplated release or discharge of such sex offender, informing the division in writing on a form provided by the division indicating the address at which he or she proposes to reside and the name and address of any institution of higher education at which he or she expects to be enrolled, attending or employed, whether for compensation or not, and whether he or she resides in or will reside in a facility owned or operated by such institution, AND THE SEX OFFENDER'S EMPLOYMENT ADDRESS AND/OR EXPECTED PLACE OF EMPLOYMENT. If such sex offender changes his or her place of residence while on parole, such notification of the change of residence shall be sent by the sex offender's parole officer within forty-eight hours to the division on a form provided by the division. If such sex offender changes the status of his or her enrollment, attendance, employment or residence at any institution of higher education, OR EMPLOYMENT ADDRESS OR PLACE OF EMPLOYMENT while on parole, such notification of the change of shall be sent by the sex offender's parole officer within forty-eight hours to the division on a form provided by the division.
- 2. In the case of any sex offender on probation, it shall be the duty of the sex offender's probation officer to notify the division within forty-eight hours of the new place of residence on a form provided by the division. If such sex offender changes the status of his or her enrollment, attendance, employment or residence at any institution of higher education, OR EMPLOYMENT ADDRESS OR PLACE OF EMPLOYMENT while on probation, such notification of the change of status shall be sent by the sex offender's probation officer within forty-eight hours to the division on a form provided by the division.
- S 3. Subdivision 2 of section 168-d of the correction law, as amended by chapter 684 of the laws of 2005, is amended to read as follows:
- 2. Any sex offender, who is released on probation or discharged upon payment of a fine, conditional discharge or unconditional discharge shall, prior to such release or discharge, be informed of his or her duty to register under this article by the court in which he or she was convicted. At the time sentence is imposed, such sex offender shall register with the division on a form prepared by the division. The court shall require the sex offender to read and sign such form and to complete the registration portion of such form. The court shall on such form obtain the address where the sex offender expects to reside upon his or her release, and the name and address of any institution of higher education he or she expects to be employed by, enrolled in, attending whether for compensation or not, and whether he or she employed, expects to reside in a facility owned or operated by such an institution, AND THE SEX OFFENDER'S EMPLOYMENT ADDRESS AND/OR EXPECTED PLACE OF EMPLOYMENT, and shall report such information to the division. The court shall give one copy of the form to the sex offender and shall send two copies to the division which shall forward the information to the law enforcement agencies having jurisdiction. The court shall also notify the district attorney and the sex offender of the date of the determination proceeding to be held pursuant to subdivision three of this section, which shall be held at least forty-five days after such notice

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is given. This notice shall include the following statement or a substantially similar statement: "This proceeding is being held to determine whether you will be classified as a level 3 offender (risk of repeat offense is high), a level 2 offender (risk of repeat offense is 5 moderate), or a level 1 offender (risk of repeat offense is whether you will be designated as a sexual predator, a sexually violent 6 7 offender or a predicate sex offender, which will determine how long you 8 must register as a sex offender and how much information can be provided to the public concerning your registration. If you fail to appear at 9 10 this proceeding, without sufficient excuse, it shall be held in your 11 absence. Failure to appear may result in a longer period of registration a higher level of community notification because you are not present 12 13 to offer evidence or contest evidence offered by the district attorney." 14 The court shall also advise the sex offender that he or she has a right 15 to a hearing prior to the court's determination, that he or she has the right to be represented by counsel at the hearing and that counsel will 16 17 appointed if he or she is financially unable to retain counsel. If 18 the sex offender applies for assignment of counsel to represent him or 19 her at the hearing and counsel was not previously assigned to represent the sex offender in the underlying criminal action, the court shall determine whether the offender is financially unable to retain counsel. 20 21 If such a finding is made, the court shall assign counsel to represent the sex offender pursuant to article eighteen-B of the county law. Where 23 24 the court orders a sex offender released on probation, such order must 25 include a provision requiring that he or she comply with the require-26 ments of this article. Where such sex offender violates such provision, 27 probation may be immediately revoked in the manner provided by article 28 four hundred ten of the criminal procedure law. 29

S 4. Subdivision 1 of section 168-e of the correction law, as amended by chapter 11 of the laws of 2002, is amended to read as follows:

1. Any sex offender, to be discharged, paroled, released to post-release supervision or released from any state or local correctional facility, hospital or institution where he or she was confined or committed, shall at least fifteen calendar days prior to discharge, parole or release, be informed of his or her duty to register under this article, by the facility in which he or she was confined or committed. The facility shall require the sex offender to read and sign such form as may be required by the division stating the duty to register and the procedure for registration has been explained to him or her and to complete the registration portion of such form. The facility shall obtain on such form the address where the sex offender expects to reside upon his or her discharge, parole or release and the name and address of any institution of higher education he or she expects to be employed by, enrolled in, attending or employed, whether for compensation or not, and whether he or she expects to reside in a facility owned or operated by such an institution, AND THE SEX OFFENDER'S EMPLOYMENT ADDRESS AND/OR EXPECTED PLACE OF EMPLOYMENT, and shall report such information to the division. The facility shall give one copy of the form to the sex offender, retain one copy and shall send one copy to the division which shall provide the information to the law enforcement agencies having jurisdiction. The facility shall give the sex offender a form prepared by the division, to register with the division at least fifteen calendar days prior to release and such form shall be completed, signed by the sex offender and sent to the division by the facility at least ten days prior to the sex offender's release or discharge.

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S 5. Subdivisions 2 and 4 of section 168-f of the correction law, subdivision 2 as added by chapter 192 of the laws of 1995, paragraph (b-1) of subdivision 2 as amended by chapter 532 of the laws of 2011, paragraphs (b-2), (b-3) and (c-1) of subdivision 2 as added by section 2 of part O of chapter 56 of the laws of 2005, paragraph (c) of subdivision 2 as amended by chapter 453 of the laws of 1999 and subdivision 4 as amended by chapter 67 of the laws of 2008, are amended to read as follows:

- 2. For a sex offender required to register under this article on each anniversary of the sex offender's initial registration date during the period in which he OR SHE is required to register under this section the following applies:
- (a) The sex offender shall mail the verification form to the division within ten calendar days after receipt of the form.
- (b) The verification form shall be signed by the sex offender, and state that he OR SHE still resides at the address last reported to the division[.
- (b-1) If the sex offender has been given a level two or three designation, such offender shall sign the verification form, and state that he or she] AND still is employed at the address last reported to the division.
- [(b-2)] (B-1) If the sex offender has been given a level three designation, he or she shall personally appear at the law enforcement agency having jurisdiction within [twenty days of the first anniversary] THREE MONTHS of the sex offender's initial registration and every [year] THREE MONTHS thereafter during the period of registration for the purpose of providing a current photograph of such offender. The law enforcement agency having jurisdiction shall photograph the sex offender and shall promptly forward a copy of such photograph to the division. For purposes of this paragraph, if such sex offender is confined in a state or local correctional facility, the local law enforcement agency having jurisdiction shall be the warden, superintendent, sheriff or other person in charge of the state or local correctional facility.
- [(b-3)] (B-2) If the sex offender has been given a [level one or] level two designation, he or she shall personally appear at the law enforcement agency having jurisdiction within [twenty days of the third anniversary] SIX MONTHS of the sex offender's initial registration and every [three years] SIX MONTHS thereafter during the period of registration for the purpose of providing a current photograph of such offender. The law enforcement agency having jurisdiction shall photograph the sex offender and shall promptly forward a copy of such photograph to the division. For purposes of this paragraph, if such sex offender is confined in a state or local correctional facility, the local law enforcement agency having jurisdiction shall be the warden, superintendent, sheriff or other person in charge of the state or local correctional facility.
- (B-3) IF THE SEX OFFENDER HAS BEEN GIVEN A LEVEL ONE DESIGNATION, PERSONALLY APPEAR AT THE LAW ENFORCEMENT AGENCY HAVING JURISDICTION WITHIN TWENTY DAYS OF THE FIRST ANNIVERSARY REGISTRATION AND EVERY YEAR THEREAFTER DURING THE OFFENDER'S INITIAL PERIOD OF REGISTRATION FOR THE PURPOSE OF PROVIDING A CURRENT PHOTOGRAPH OF SUCH OFFENDER. THE LAW ENFORCEMENT AGENCY HAVING JURISDICTION SHALL PHOTOGRAPH $_{
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SUPERINTENDENT, SHERIFF OR OTHER PERSON IN CHARGE OF THE STATE OR LOCAL CORRECTIONAL FACILITY.

- (c) If the sex offender fails to mail the signed verification form to the division within ten calendar days after receipt of the form, he or she shall be in violation of this section unless he proves that he or she has not changed his or her residence address.
- (c-1) If the sex offender, to whom a notice has been mailed at the last reported address pursuant to paragraph [b] (B) of subdivision one of section one hundred sixty-eight-b of this article, fails to personally appear at the law enforcement agency having jurisdiction, as provided in paragraph (B-1), (b-2) or (b-3) of this subdivision[, within twenty days of the anniversary of the sex offender's initial registration], or an alternate later date scheduled by the law enforcement agency having jurisdiction, he or she shall be in violation of this section. The duty to personally appear for such updated photograph shall be temporarily suspended during any period in which the sex offender is confined in any hospital or institution, and such sex offender shall personally appear for such updated photograph no later than ninety days after release from such hospital or institution, or an alternate later date scheduled by the law enforcement agency having jurisdiction.
- 4. Any sex offender shall register with the division no later [ten calendar] THREE BUSINESS days after any change of NAME OR address, internet accounts with internet access providers belonging to such offender, internet identifiers that such offender uses, or his or her status of enrollment, attendance, employment or residence at any institution of higher education. THE SEX OFFENDER SHALL ALSO PERSONALLY APPEAR AT THE LAW ENFORCEMENT AGENCY HAVING JURISDICTION WITHIN DAYS AFTER ANY CHANGE OF NAME OR ADDRESS OR ANY CHANGE OF HIS OR HER STATUS OF ENROLLMENT, ATTENDANCE, EMPLOYMENT OR RESIDENCE AT INSTITUTION OF HIGHER EDUCATION AND PROVIDE SUCH INFORMATION TO THE LAW ENFORCEMENT AGENCY HAVING JURISDICTION. A fee of ten dollars, as authorized by subdivision eight of section one hundred sixty-eight-b of shall be submitted by the sex offender each time such offender registers any change of NAME OR address or any change of his or her status of enrollment, attendance, employment or residence at any institution of higher education. Any failure or omission to submit required fee shall not affect the acceptance by the division of the change of address or change of status.
- S 6. Subdivisions 4 and 5 of section 168-j of the correction law, as added by chapter 11 of the laws of 2002, are amended to read as follows:
- 4. Upon receipt of a change in the status of the enrollment, attendance, employment or residence at an institution of higher education, OR EMPLOYMENT ADDRESS OR PLACE OF EMPLOYMENT by a sex offender required to register under this article, the division shall notify each law enforcement agency having jurisdiction which is affected by such change.
- 5. Upon receipt of change in the status of the enrollment, attendance, employment or residence at an institution of higher education, OR EMPLOYMENT ADDRESS OR PLACE OF EMPLOYMENT by a sex offender required to register under this article, each law enforcement agency having jurisdiction shall adhere to the notification provisions set forth in subdivision six of section one hundred sixty-eight-l of this article.
- S 7. Subdivision 2 of section 168-k of the correction law, as amended by chapter 684 of the laws of 2005, is amended to read as follows:
- 2. The division shall advise the board that the sex offender has established residence in this state. The board shall determine whether the sex offender is required to register with the division. If it is

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determined that the sex offender is required to register, the division shall notify the sex offender of his or her duty to register under this 3 article and shall require the sex offender to sign a form as may be required by the division acknowledging that the duty to register and the procedure for registration has been explained to the sex offender. The 6 division shall obtain on such form the address where the sex offender 7 expects to reside within the state AND SUCH ADDITIONAL INFORMATION AS 8 THE DIVISION MAY REQUIRE, and the sex offender shall retain one copy of 9 form and send two copies to the division which shall provide the 10 information to the law enforcement agency having jurisdiction where the sex offender expects to reside within this state. No later than thirty 11 12 days prior to the board making a recommendation, the sex offender shall be notified that his or her case is under review and that he or she is 13 14 permitted to submit to the board any information relevant to the review. After reviewing any information obtained, and applying the guidelines established in subdivision five of section one hundred sixty-eight-l of 16 this article, the board shall within sixty calendar days make a recom-17 mendation regarding the level of notification pursuant to subdivision 18 19 six of section one hundred sixty-eight-l of this article and whether such sex offender shall be designated a sexual predator, sexually violent offender, or predicate sex offender as defined in subdivision 20 21 seven of section one hundred sixty-eight-a of this article. This recommendation shall be confidential and shall not be available for public 23 inspection. It shall be submitted by the board to the county court or 24 25 supreme court and to the district attorney in the county of residence of 26 sex offender and to the sex offender. It shall be the duty of the county court or supreme court in the county of residence of the sex offender, applying the guidelines established in subdivision five of 27 28 29 section one hundred sixty-eight-l of this article, to determine the 30 level of notification pursuant to subdivision six of section one hundred sixty-eight-l of this article and whether such sex offender shall be 31 32 designated a sexual predator, sexually violent offender, or predicate 33 sex offender as defined in subdivision seven of section one hundred sixty-eight-a of this article. At least thirty days prior to the deter-34 mination proceeding, such court shall notify the district attorney and 35 36 the sex offender, in writing, of the date of the determination proceed-37 ing and the court shall also provide the district attorney and sex offender with a copy of the recommendation received from the board and 38 39 any statement of the reasons for the recommendation received from the 40 board. This notice shall include the following statement or a substan-41 tially similar statement: "This proceeding is being held to determine whether you will be classified as a level 3 offender (risk of repeat offense is high), a level 2 offender (risk of repeat offense is moder-42 43 ate), or a level 1 offender (risk of repeat offense is low), or whether 44 45 you will be designated as a sexual predator, a sexually violent offender a predicate sex offender, which will determine how long you must 46 47 register as a sex offender and how much information can be provided to 48 the public concerning your registration. If you fail to appear at this proceeding, without sufficient excuse, it shall be held in your absence. 49 Failure to appear may result in a longer period of registration or 50 51 higher level of community notification because you are not present to 52 offer evidence or contest evidence offered by the district attorney." The court shall also advise the sex offender that he or she has a right 53 54 to a hearing prior to the court's determination, that he or she has the right to be represented by counsel at the hearing and that counsel will be appointed if he or she is financially unable to retain counsel. A

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returnable form shall be enclosed in the court's notice to the sex offender on which the sex offender may apply for assignment of counsel. 3 the sex offender applies for assignment of counsel and the court finds that the offender is financially unable to retain counsel, the court shall assign counsel to represent the sex offender pursuant to article eighteen-B of the county law. If the district attorney seeks a 5 6 7 determination that differs from the recommendation submitted by the 8 board, at least ten days prior to the determination proceeding the district attorney shall provide to the court and the sex offender a 9 10 statement setting forth the determinations sought by the district attor-11 ney together with the reasons for seeking such determinations. The court shall allow the sex offender to appear and be heard. The state shall 12 appear by the district attorney, or his or her designee, who shall bear 13 the burden of proving the facts supporting the determinations sought by 14 15 clear and convincing evidence. It shall be the duty of the court apply-16 the guidelines established in subdivision five of section one hundred sixty-eight-l of this article to determine the level of notifi-17 18 cation pursuant to subdivision six of section one hundred sixty-eight-l 19 of this article and whether such sex offender shall be designated a sexual predator, sexually violent offender, or predicate sex offender as 20 21 defined in subdivision seven of section one hundred sixty-eight-a of 22 this article. Where there is a dispute between the parties concerning 23 the determinations, the court shall adjourn the hearing as necessary to 24 permit the sex offender or the district attorney to obtain materials 25 relevant to the determinations from the state board of examiners of sex 26 offenders or any state or local facility, hospital, institution, office, agency, department or division. Such materials may be obtained by 27 28 subpoena if not voluntarily provided to the requesting party. In making 29 the determinations the court shall review any victim's statement and any 30 relevant materials and evidence submitted by the sex offender and the district attorney and the recommendation and any material submitted by 31 32 the board, and may consider reliable hearsay evidence submitted by 33 either party, provided that it is relevant to the determinations. If available, facts proven at trial or elicited at the time of a plea of 34 guilty shall be deemed established by clear and convincing evidence and 35 36 shall not be relitigated. The court shall render an order setting forth 37 its determinations and the findings of fact and conclusions of law on 38 which the determinations are based. A copy of the order shall be submitted by the court to the division. Upon application of either party, 39 40 court shall seal any portion of the court file or record which contains material that is confidential under any state or federal statute. Either 41 party may appeal as of right from the order pursuant to the provisions 42 43 articles fifty-five, fifty-six and fifty-seven of the civil practice 44 law and rules. Where counsel has been assigned to represent the 45 offender upon the ground that the sex offender is financially unable to retain counsel, that assignment shall be continued throughout the 46 47 pendency of the appeal, and the person may appeal as a poor person 48 pursuant to article eighteen-B of the county law. 49

- S 8. Paragraphs (a), (b) and (c) of subdivision 6 of section 168-l of the correction law, paragraph (a) as amended by chapter 106 of the laws of 2006, paragraph (b) as amended by chapter 513 of the laws of 2011 and paragraph (c) as separately amended by chapters 318 and 680 of the laws of 2005, are amended to read as follows:
- (a) If the risk of repeat offense is low, a level one designation shall be given to such sex offender. In such case the law enforcement agency or agencies having jurisdiction and the law enforcement agency or

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agencies having had jurisdiction at the time of his or her conviction shall be notified and may disseminate relevant information which may include a photograph and description of the offender and which may include the name of the sex offender, approximate address based on sex offender's zip code, background information including the offender's crime of conviction, modus of operation, type of victim targeted, the name and address of any institution of higher education at which the sex offender is enrolled, attends, is employed or resides description of special conditions imposed on the offender to any entity with vulnerable populations related to the nature of the offense committed by such sex offender. Any entity receiving information on a sex offender may disclose or further disseminate such information at its IN ADDITION, IN SUCH CASE, THE INFORMATION DESCRIBED discretion. SECTION ONE HUNDRED SIXTY-EIGHT-Q OF THIS ARTICLE SHALL ALSO BE PROVIDED THE SUBDIRECTORY ESTABLISHED IN THIS ARTICLE AND NOTWITHSTANDING ANY OTHER PROVISION OF LAW, SUCH INFORMATION SHALL, UPON REQUEST, AVAILABLE TO THE PUBLIC.

(b) If the risk of repeat offense is moderate, a level two designation shall be given to such sex offender. In such case the law enforcement agency or agencies having jurisdiction and the law enforcement agency or agencies having had jurisdiction at the time of his or her conviction shall be notified and may disseminate relevant information which shall include a photograph and description of the offender and which may include the exact name and any aliases used by the sex offender, exact address, background information including the offender's crime conviction, mode of operation, type of victim targeted, the name and address of any institution of higher education at which the sex offender is enrolled, attends, is employed or resides and the description of special conditions imposed on the offender to any entity with vulnerable populations related to the nature of the offense committed by such sex offender. Any entity receiving information on a sex offender may disclose or further disseminate such information at its discretion. In addition, in such case, the information described [herein] HUNDRED SIXTY-EIGHT-Q OF THIS ARTICLE shall also be provided in the subdirectory established in this article and notwithstanding any other provision of law, such information shall, upon request, be made available to the public.

Such law enforcement agencies shall compile, maintain and update a listing of vulnerable organizational entities within its jurisdiction. Such listing shall be utilized for notification of such organizations in disseminating such information on level two sex offenders pursuant to this paragraph. Such listing shall include and not be limited to: superintendents of schools or chief school administrators, superintendents of parks, public and private libraries, public and private school bus transportation companies, day care centers, nursery schools, preschools, neighborhood watch groups, community centers, civic associations, nursing homes, victim's advocacy groups and places of worship.

(c) If the risk of repeat offense is high and there exists a threat to the public safety a level three designation shall be given to such sex offender. In such case, the law enforcement agency or agencies having jurisdiction and the law enforcement agency or agencies having had jurisdiction at the time of his or her conviction shall be notified and may disseminate relevant information which shall include a photograph and description of the offender and which may include the sex offender's exact name and any aliases used by the offender, exact address, address of the offender's place of employment, background information including

the offender's crime of conviction, mode of operation, type of victim targeted, the name and address of any institution of higher education at which the sex offender is enrolled, attends, is employed or resides and the description of special conditions imposed on the offender to any entity with vulnerable populations related to the nature of the offense committed by such sex offender. Any entity receiving information on a sex offender may disclose or further disseminate such information at its discretion. In addition, in such case, the information described [herein] IN SECTION ONE HUNDRED SIXTY-EIGHT-Q OF THIS ARTICLE shall also be provided in the subdirectory established in this article and notwithstanding any other provision of law, such information shall, upon request, be made available to the public.

Such law enforcement agencies shall compile, maintain and update a listing of vulnerable organizational entities within its jurisdiction. Such listing shall be utilized for notification of such organizations in disseminating such information on level three sex offenders pursuant to this paragraph. Such listing shall include and not be limited to: superintendents of schools or chief school administrators, superintendents of parks, public and private libraries, public and private school bus transportation companies, day care centers, nursery schools, preschools, neighborhood watch groups, community centers, civic associations, nursing homes, victim's advocacy groups and places of worship.

- S 9. Subdivision 1 of section 168-q of the correction law, as amended by chapter 532 of the laws of 2011, is amended to read as follows:
- 1. The division shall maintain a subdirectory of [level two and three] sex offenders. The subdirectory shall include [the exact address, address of the offender's place of employment and photograph of the offender along with the following information, if available: name, physdescription, age and distinctive markings. Background information including the sex offender's crime of conviction, modus of type of victim targeted, the name and address of any institution of higher education at which the sex offender is enrolled, attends, employed or resides and a description of special conditions imposed on the sex offender shall also be included] ALL REGISTRATION INFORMATION MAINTAINED BY THE DIVISION PURSUANT TO SECTION ONE HUNDRED SIXTY-EIGHT-B THIS ARTICLE, PROVIDED THAT THE SUBDIRECTORY SHALL NOT INCLUDE THE IDENTITY OF THE VICTIM OF A SEX OFFENSE, THE SOCIAL SECURITY SEX OFFENDER OR ANY REFERENCE TO ARRESTS OF THE SEX OFFENDER THAT DID NOT RESULT IN A CONVICTION. The subdirectory shall have sex offender listings categorized by county and zip code. Such subdirectory shall made available at all times on the internet via the division homepage. Any person may apply to the division to receive automated e-mail notifications whenever a new or updated subdirectory registration occurs a geographic area specified by such person. The division shall furnish such service at no charge to such person, who shall request e-mail notification by county and/or zip code on forms developed and provided by the division. E-mail notification is limited to three geographic areas per e-mail account.
- S 10. Section 168-t of the correction law, as amended by chapter 373 of the laws of 2007, is amended to read as follows:
- S 168-t. Penalty. Any sex offender required to register or to verify pursuant to the provisions of this article who fails to register or verify in the manner and within the time periods provided for in this article [shall be guilty of a class E felony upon conviction for the first offense, and upon conviction for a second or subsequent offense shall be guilty of a class D felony. Any sex offender] OR who violates

the provisions of section one hundred sixty-eight-v of this article shall be guilty of a class [A misdemeanor upon conviction for the first offense, and upon conviction for a second or subsequent offense shall be guilty of a class] D felony. Any such failure to register or verify may also be the basis for revocation of parole pursuant to section two hundred fifty-nine-i of the executive law or the basis for revocation of probation pursuant to article four hundred ten of the criminal procedure law.

S 11. This act shall take effect on the first of November next succeeding the date on which it shall have become a law, and shall apply to all sex offenders registered or required to register immediately prior to the effective date of this act, and to all sex offenders required to register on or after such effective date.