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2025-2026 Regular Sessions

IN SENATE

May 20, 2025

Introduced by Sen. HOYLMAN-SIGAL -- (at request of the Unified Court System) -- read twice and ordered printed, and when printed to be committed to the Committee on Codes

AN ACT to amend the criminal procedure law, to expand judicial eligibility for presiding over designated youth parts

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

1 Section 1. Subdivision 1 of section 722.10 of the criminal procedure
2 law, as added by section 1-a of part WWW of chapter 59 of the laws of
3 2017, is amended to read as follows:

4 1. The chief administrator of the courts is hereby directed to estab-
5 lish, in a superior court in each county of the state, a part of the
6 court to be known as the youth part of the superior court for the county
7 in which such court presides. Judges presiding in the youth part shall
8 be (i) family court judges, as described in article six, section one of
9 the constitution, or (ii) judges of a superior court who have been
10 determined by the chief administrator of the courts to be qualified to
11 preside because of prior training and experience, including but not
12 limited to in juvenile delinquency proceedings in family court or
13 adolescent or juvenile offender proceedings in a superior court. To aid
14 in their work, such judges shall receive training in specialized areas,
15 including, but not limited to, juvenile justice, adolescent development,
16 custody and care of youths and effective treatment methods for reducing
17 unlawful conduct by youths, and shall be authorized to make appropriate
18 determinations within the power of such superior court with respect to
19 the cases of youths assigned to such part. The youth part shall have
20 exclusive jurisdiction in all proceedings in relation to juvenile offen-
21 ders and adolescent offenders, except as provided in this article or
22 article seven hundred twenty-five of this chapter.

23 § 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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