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## 2009-2010 Regular Sessions

## IN ASSEMBLY

January 23, 2009

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

AN ACT to amend the education law, in relation to prohibiting colleges from denying formerly incarcerated individuals admittance to college based solely on their incarceration

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

- 1 Section 1. The education law is amended by adding a new section 6438 2 to read as follows:
- 3 S 6438. COLLEGE ADMITTANCE FOR PEOPLE PREVIOUSLY INCARCERATED.
  4 NOTWITHSTANDING ANY OTHER PROVISION OF LAW TO THE CONTRARY, NO PERSON
  5 WHO HAS PREVIOUSLY BEEN INCARCERATED, SHALL BE DENIED ADMITTANCE TO ANY
  6 INSTITUTION OF HIGHER EDUCATION, BASED SOLELY ON SUCH INCARCERATION.
- 7 S 2. This act shall take effect on the first of July next succeeding 8 the date on which it shall have become a law.

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

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