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2009-2010 Regular Sessions

I N A S S E M B L Y

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Introduced by M. of A. LENTOL -- read once and referred to the Committee  
on Codes

AN ACT to amend the penal law, in relation to sentences of imprisonment  
for certain class C felony offenses

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

1 Section 1. Subdivision 4 of section 70.00 of the penal law, as amended  
2 by chapter 738 of the laws of 2004, is amended to read as follows:  
3 4. Alternative definite sentence for class D [and], E, AND CERTAIN  
4 CLASS C felonies. When a person, other than a second or persistent felo-  
5 ny offender, is sentenced for a class D or class E felony, OR FOR A  
6 CLASS C FELONY, OTHER THAN A CLASS C FELONY SPECIFIED IN SUBDIVISION  
7 FOUR OF SECTION 60.05, A CLASS C VIOLENT FELONY SPECIFIED IN PARAGRAPH  
8 (B) OF SUBDIVISION ONE OF SECTION 70.02 OR A CLASS C FELONY SEX OFFENSE  
9 SPECIFIED IN PARAGRAPH (A) OF SUBDIVISION ONE OF SECTION 70.80, and the  
10 court, having regard to the nature and circumstances of the crime and to  
11 the history and character of the defendant, is of the opinion that a  
12 sentence of imprisonment is necessary but that it would be unduly harsh  
13 to impose an indeterminate or determinate sentence, the court may impose  
14 a definite sentence of imprisonment and fix a term of one year or less.  
15 S 2. This act shall take effect on the first of November next  
16 succeeding 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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