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Introduced by Sens. THOMPSON, ONORATO -- read twice and ordered printed, and when printed to be committed to the Committee on Judiciary

AN ACT to amend the uniform city court act, in relation to providing for an additional city court judge for the city of Buffalo; relating to the establishment of an alternative youth criminal court whereby the additional city court judge presides over such court

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

Section 1. Notwithstanding any general or special law, rule or regulation to the contrary, the city of Buffalo is hereby authorized to create a pilot program establishing an alternative youth criminal court. Juveniles, age sixteen through eighteen, that would otherwise be prosecuted in city court for offenses of less than felony grade, committed within such city, shall be prosecuted and sentenced in the alternative youth criminal court.

S 2. Paragraph 7 of subdivision (d) of section 2104 of the uniform city court act, as amended by chapter 493 of the laws of 2006, is amended to read as follows:

7 Buffalo, [thirteen] FOURTEEN full-time;

S 3. The full-time city court judge added by section two of this act shall serve in the capacity as the alternative youth criminal court judge, established by section one of this act.

S 4. This act shall take effect January 1, 2011; provided, however that the additional city court judge provided for in section two of this act, shall first be elected at the general election to be held in November 2009 and shall first take office January 1, 2010. Effective immediately, the office of court administration shall promulgate rules and regulations necessary for the implementation of this act on its effective date.

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

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