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Committee on Correction

AN ACT to amend the correction law, in relation to the definition of,  
and information provided about, sex offenders

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

1     Section 1. Paragraph (e) of subdivision 2 of section 168-a of the  
2     correction law, as added by chapter 69 of the laws of 2003, is amended  
3     to read as follows:  
4     (e) a conviction of OR A CONVICTION FOR AN ATTEMPT TO COMMIT any of  
5     the provisions of subdivision two, three or four of section 250.45 of  
6     the penal law, unless upon motion by the defendant, the trial court,  
7     having regard to the nature and circumstances of the crime and to the  
8     history and character of the defendant, is of the opinion that registra-  
9     tion would be unduly harsh and inappropriate.  
10    S 2. Paragraph (b) of subdivision 6 of section 168-1 of the correction  
11    law, as amended by chapter 106 of the laws of 2006, is amended to read  
12    as follows:  
13    (b) If the risk of repeat offense is moderate, a level two designation  
14    shall be given to such sex offender. In such case the law enforcement  
15    agency or agencies having jurisdiction and the law enforcement agency or  
16    agencies having had jurisdiction at the time of his or her conviction  
17    shall be notified and may disseminate relevant information which shall  
18    include a photograph and description of the offender and which may  
19    include the exact name and any aliases used by the sex offender,  
20    [approximate] EXACT address [based on sex offender's zip code], back-  
21    ground information including the offender's crime of conviction, mode of  
22    operation, type of victim targeted, the name and address of any institu-  
23    tion of higher education at which the sex offender is enrolled, attends,  
24    is employed or resides and the description of special conditions imposed  
25    on the offender to any entity with vulnerable populations related to the  
26    nature of the offense committed by such sex offender. Any entity receiv-  
27    ing information on a sex offender may disclose or further disseminate  
28    such information at its discretion. In addition, in such case, the

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

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1 information described herein shall also be provided in the subdirectory  
2 established in this article and notwithstanding any other provision of  
3 law, such information shall, upon request, be made available to the  
4 public.

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

15 S 3. This act shall take effect immediately, provided, however, that  
16 the amendments to paragraph (e) of subdivision 2 of section 168-a of the  
17 correction law made by section 1 of this act shall apply to persons  
18 convicted of an attempt to commit any of the provisions of subdivision  
19 two, three or four of section 250.45 of the penal law who committed such  
20 offense prior to, on or after the effective date of this act; except  
21 that, with regard to persons who committed such offense prior to the  
22 effective date of this act, this act shall only apply to persons who  
23 have not completed service of the sentence for such offense prior to  
24 such effective date.