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Introduced by M. of A. HEASTIE -- read once and referred to the Committee on Correction

AN ACT to amend the correction law, in relation to establishing a commission on improving education in state prisons

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

1 Section 1. The correction law is amended by adding a new section 49 to  
2 read as follows:  
3 S 49. COMMISSION ON PRISON EDUCATION. THERE IS HEREBY ESTABLISHED A  
4 COMMISSION ON PRISON EDUCATION COMPRISED OF NINE MEMBERS WHO SHALL STUDY  
5 AND DEVELOP A PLAN FOR IMPROVING EDUCATION IN THE STATE PRISON SYSTEM.  
6 THE COMMISSION SHALL CONSIDER AND INVESTIGATE THE FOLLOWING FACTORS WHEN  
7 DETERMINING EDUCATION IMPROVEMENTS: THE IMPACT ON AN INMATE'S EMPLOYMENT  
8 OPPORTUNITIES UPON RELEASE FROM PRISON, THE IMPACT ON AN INMATE'S REIN-  
9 TEGRATION INTO SOCIETY AND THE EFFECTIVENESS IN REDUCING RECIDIVISM.  
10 APPOINTMENTS TO THE TASK FORCE SHALL BE MADE AS FOLLOWS: THREE BY THE  
11 GOVERNOR; TWO BY THE SPEAKER OF THE ASSEMBLY; ONE BY THE MINORITY LEADER  
12 OF THE ASSEMBLY; TWO BY THE TEMPORARY PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE AND ONE BY  
13 THE MINORITY LEADER OF THE SENATE. THE COMMISSION SHALL ISSUE A REPORT  
14 WITHIN TEN MONTHS AFTER THE EFFECTIVE DATE OF THIS PARAGRAPH.  
15 S 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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