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Introduced by Sen. KRUGER -- read twice and ordered printed, and when printed to be committed to the Committee on Children and Families

AN ACT to amend the executive law, in relation to establishing a mentoring program within the office of children and family services; and making an appropriation therefor

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

1 Section 1. The executive law is amended by adding a new section 504-c
2 to read as follows:
3 S 504-C. MENTORING PROGRAM FOR YOUTH. 1. THERE IS HEREBY ESTABLISHED
4 IN THE OFFICE OF CHILDREN AND FAMILY SERVICES A MENTOR PROGRAM TO ASSIST
5 YOUTH RELEASED FROM FACILITIES OF THE OFFICE OF CHILDREN AND FAMILY
6 SERVICES IN RESUMING PRODUCTIVE LIVES, DEVELOP SKILLS AND REDUCE RECI-
7 DIVISM. SUCH PROGRAM SHALL BE ESTABLISHED IN THE CITY OF NEW YORK WITHIN
8 NINETY DAYS AFTER THE EFFECTIVE DATE OF THIS SECTION.
9 2. AS PART OF SUCH PROGRAM THE OFFICE OF CHILDREN AND FAMILY SERVICES
10 SHALL ENTER INTO AGREEMENTS WITH STUDENTS MATRICULATING AT THE CITY
11 UNIVERSITY OF NEW YORK TO SERVE AS MENTOR-ROLE MODELS FOR SELECTED
12 YOUTHS. IN RETURN FOR SUCH SERVICES, EITHER THE OFFICE OF CHILDREN AND
13 FAMILY SERVICES SHALL PAY AN AGREED UPON SUM OF MONEY TOWARDS SUCH
14 STUDENTS' TUITION, OR OTHER EXPENSES INCURRED IN CONNECTION WITH HIS OR
15 HER STATUS AS A STUDENT AT SUCH INSTITUTION OR SUCH STUDENT SHALL
16 RECEIVE COURSE CREDIT TOWARD A DEGREE FROM SUCH INSTITUTION.
17 3. THE COMMISSIONER OF THE OFFICE OF CHILDREN AND FAMILY SERVICES
18 SHALL PROMULGATE SUCH REGULATIONS AS ARE NECESSARY TO IMPLEMENT THE
19 PROVISIONS OF THIS SECTION.
20 S 2. The sum of eighty-five thousand dollars (\$85,000), or so much
21 thereof as may be necessary, is hereby appropriated out of any moneys in
22 the state treasury in the general fund to the office of children and
23 family services for the purpose of this act. No funds shall be available
24 from this appropriation until a comprehensive operating and expenditure

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

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1 plan is submitted to and approved by the director of the budget. Such
2 moneys shall be payable on the audit and warrant of the state comp-
3 troller on vouchers certified or approved by the commissioner of the
4 office of children and family services in the manner prescribed by law.
5 S 3. This act shall take effect immediately.