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## 2009-2010 Regular Sessions

IN SENATE

June 19, 2009

Introduced by Sen. HASSELL-THOMPSON -- read twice and ordered printed, and when printed to be committed to the Committee on Rules

AN ACT to amend the correction law, in relation to assuring rehabilitation programs for female inmates equivalent to programs afforded male inmates

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 114 2 to read as follows:

3 S 114. REHABILITATION PROGRAMS FOR WOMEN. THE DEPARTMENT SHALL TAKE TO ENSURE, TO THE GREATEST EXTENT PRACTICABLE WITHIN AVAILABLE 4 STEPS 5 APPROPRIATIONS, THAT PROGRAMS OF REHABILITATION, INCLUDING BUT NOT 6 LIMITED TO VOCATIONAL, ACADEMIC AND INDUSTRIAL PROGRAMS, IN ALL CORREC-7 TIONAL FACILITIES IN WHICH WOMEN ARE DETAINED ARE COMPARABLE ΤO SUCH 8 PROGRAMS PROVIDED TO MALE INMATES AND ARE DESIGNED TO ASSIST INMATES TO OBTAIN STABLE AND GAINFUL EMPLOYMENT UPON RELEASE. 9

10 S 2. This act shall take effect on the sixtieth day after it shall 11 have become a law; provided that the commissioner of correctional 12 services is authorized to promulgate any and all rules and regulations 13 and take any other measures necessary to implement the provisions of 14 this act on its effective date on or before such effective date.

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

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