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AN ACT to amend the correction law, in relation to information contained in the sex offender registry

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

Section 1. Subdivision 1 of section 168-q of the correction law, as amended by chapter 106 of the laws of 2006, is amended to read as follows:

1. The division shall maintain a subdirectory of level two and three sex offenders. The subdirectory shall include the exact address, address of the offender's place of employment and photograph of the sex offender along with the following information, if available: name, physical description, age and distinctive markings. Background information including the sex offender's crime of conviction, modus of operation, type of victim targeted, the name and address of any institution of higher education at which the sex offender is enrolled, attends, is employed or resides and a description of special conditions imposed on the sex offender shall also be included. The subdirectory shall have sex offender listings categorized by county and zip code. A copy of the subdirectory shall annually be distributed to the offices of local village, town, city, county or state law enforcement agencies for purposes of public access. The division shall distribute monthly updates to the offices of local village, town, city, county or state law enforcement agencies for purposes of public access. Such departments shall require that a person in writing provide their name and address prior to viewing the subdirectory. Any information identifying the victim by name, birth date, address or relation to the sex offender shall be excluded from the subdirectory distributed for purposes of public access. The subdirectory provided for herein shall be updated

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

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monthly to maintain its efficiency and usefulness and shall be computer accessible. Such subdirectory shall be made available at all times on the internet via the division homepage. THE INFORMATION CONTAINED IN THE SUBDIRECTORY SHALL BE SEARCHABLE VIA THE INTERNET BY THE ZIP CODE FOR BOTH THE OFFENDER'S RESIDENCE ADDRESS AND HIS OR HER PLACE OF EMPLOYMENT.

S 2. This act shall take effect on the ninetieth day after it shall have become a law.