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IN SENATE

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

AN ACT to amend the criminal procedure law, in relation to youthful offenders

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

Section 1. Subdivision 1 of section 720.10 of the criminal procedure law, as amended by chapter 411 of the laws of 1979, is amended to read as follows:

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- 1. "Youth" means a person charged with a crime alleged to have been committed when he OR SHE was at least sixteen years old and less than [nineteen] TWENTY-ONE years old or a person charged with being a juvenile offender as defined in subdivision forty-two of section 1.20 of this chapter.
- S 2. Subdivision 1 of section 720.20 of the criminal procedure law, as amended by chapter 652 of the laws of 1974, is amended to read as follows:
- 1. Upon conviction of an eligible youth, the court must order a presentence investigation of the defendant. After receipt of a written report of the investigation and at the time of pronouncing sentence the court must determine whether or not the eligible youth is a youthful offender. Such determination shall be in accordance with the following criteria:
- (a) If in the opinion of the court the interest of justice would be served by relieving the eligible youth from the onus of a criminal record and by not imposing an indeterminate term of imprisonment of more than four years, the court may, in its discretion, find the eligible youth is a youthful offender; and
- (b) Where the conviction is had in a local criminal court and the eligible youth CHARGED WITH A CRIME ALLEGED TO HAVE BEEN COMMITTED WHEN HE OR SHE WAS AT LEAST SIXTEEN YEARS OLD AND LESS THAN NINETEEN YEARS OLD had not prior to commencement of trial or entry of a plea of guilty been convicted of a crime or found a youthful offender, the court must find he OR SHE is a youthful offender.
- 29 S 3. This act shall take effect on the first of November next succeed-30 ing the date on which it shall have become a law.

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

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