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

AN ACT to amend the penal law, in relation to criminal possession of a weapon while in unlawful possession of a controlled substance or marijuana

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

1     Section 1. The penal law is amended by adding a new section 265.18 to  
2     read as follows:  
3     S 265.18 CRIMINAL POSSESSION OF A WEAPON WHILE IN UNLAWFUL POSSESSION OF  
4             A CONTROLLED SUBSTANCE OR MARIHUANA.  
5     A PERSON IS GUILTY OF CRIMINAL POSSESSION OF A WEAPON WHILE IN UNLAW-  
6     FUL POSSESSION OF A CONTROLLED SUBSTANCE OR MARIHUANA WHEN HE OR SHE  
7     PHYSICALLY POSSESSES A WEAPON IN VIOLATION OF SECTION 265.01 OF THIS  
8     ARTICLE WHILE, AT THE SAME TIME, HE OR SHE PHYSICALLY POSSESSES A  
9     CONTROLLED SUBSTANCE IN VIOLATION OF SECTION 220.03 OR MARIHUANA IN  
10    VIOLATION OF SECTION 221.15 OF THIS CHAPTER.  
11    CRIMINAL POSSESSION OF A WEAPON WHILE IN UNLAWFUL POSSESSION OF A  
12    CONTROLLED SUBSTANCE OR MARIHUANA IS A CLASS E FELONY.  
13    S 2. This act shall take effect on the first of November next succeed-  
14    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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