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IN SENATE

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Introduced by Sens. NOZZOLIO, BALL, BONACIC, BOYLE, GALLIVAN, GOLDEN, GRIFFO, HANNON, LANZA, LARKIN, LITTLE, MARCELLINO, MARTINS, MAZIARZ, O'MARA, RANZENHOFER, RITCHIE, ROBACH, SAVINO, SEWARD, VALESKY, YOUNG -- read twice and ordered printed, and when printed to be committed to the Committee on Crime Victims, Crime and Correction -- committee discharged, bill amended, ordered reprinted as amended and recommitted to said committee

AN ACT directing the study of the feasibility of converting certain correctional facilities into treatment facilities

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

Section 1. The department of correctional services and community supervision and the office of alcoholism and substance abuse services are directed to conduct a study to determine the feasibility of converting correctional facilities, which are closed or scheduled to be closed, to be used as treatment facilities for the treatment of persons with a substance abuse addiction both on an in-patient residential basis and an out-patient basis.

The study shall include an evaluation of the efficacy of removing addicted individuals from the community and placing such persons in a residential treatment facility for comprehensive therapy and shall also include an assessment of the value of such treatment in a facility which was formerly used as a correctional facility away from the community of residence of the individual. An analysis shall also be made of the extent of renovations which may be necessary in connection with the conversion of the facilities, including an estimate of the cost of such renovations.

Consideration shall be given to factors such as the number of participants necessary for the most efficient operation of such a program on an in-patient residential basis and an out-patient basis. Also a determination shall be made with respect to the factors to be considered in determining or recommending the types of treatment modalities to be provided.

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

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The study shall also take into consideration that those eligible for admission into treatment programs shall be addicted individuals who have a demonstrated history of addiction and do not have a current or prior history of engaging in any conduct involving the sale of controlled substances.

- S 2. The study shall be completed and a report submitted to the chair of the senate crime victims, crime and correction committee, the chair of the senate codes committee, the chair of the assembly correction committee and the assembly codes committee within sixty days of the effective date of this act.
- 11 S 3. This act shall take effect immediately.