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2015-2016 Regular Sessions

I N A S S E M B L Y

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Introduced by M. of A. BARRON -- read once and referred to the Committee
on Correction

AN ACT to amend the correction law, in relation to permitting persons
with a criminal record to volunteer and provide counseling and
programming services within the prison system in certain circumstances

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

1 Section 1. The correction law is amended by adding a new section 624
2 to read as follows:
3 S 624. VOLUNTEERS FOR PRISON COUNSELING AND PROGRAMMING; ELIGIBILITY.
4 NOTWITHSTANDING ANY OTHER PROVISION OF LAW TO THE CONTRARY, A PERSON
5 WITH A CRIMINAL RECORD WHO HAS DEMONSTRATED A STEADFAST COMMITMENT TO
6 HIS OR HER COMMUNITY AND WHO HAS HAD NO FURTHER INVOLVEMENT OF A CRIMI-
7 NAL NATURE SINCE HIS OR HER LAST CONVICTION FOR TWENTY YEARS OR LONGER,
8 SHALL BE PERMITTED TO VOLUNTEER AND PROVIDE COUNSELING AND PROGRAMMING
9 SERVICES TO PRISONERS IF SUCH PERSON MEETS ALL OTHER CRITERIA SET FORTH
10 BY THE COMMISSIONER.
11 S 2. This act shall take effect immediately.

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

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