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AN ACT to amend the penal law, in relation to organized retail theft using an emergency exit

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

- Section 1. Subdivisions 9, 10 and 11 of section 155.30 of the penal law, subdivision 9 as amended by chapter 479 of the laws of 2010, subdivision 10 as added by chapter 491 of the laws of 1992 and subdivision 11 as added by chapter 394 of the laws of 2005, are amended and a new subdivision 12 is added to read as follows:
- 9. The property consists of a scroll, religious vestment, a vessel, an item comprising a display of religious symbols which forms a representative expression of faith, or other miscellaneous item of property which:
  - (a) has a value of at least one hundred dollars; and

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- (b) is kept for or used in connection with religious worship in any building, structure or upon the curtilage of such building or structure used as a place of religious worship by a religious corporation, as incorporated under the religious corporations law or the education law[.]; OR
- 10. The property consists of an access device which the person intends to use unlawfully to obtain telephone service[.]; OR
- 18 11. The property consists of anhydrous ammonia or liquified ammonia 19 gas and the actor intends to use, or knows another person intends to 20 use, such anhydrous ammonia or liquified ammonia gas to manufacture 21 methamphetamine[.]; OR
- 12. THE PROPERTY IS STOLEN FROM A RETAIL MERCANTILE ESTABLISHMENT AND, TO FACILITATE AN ORGANIZED RETAIL CRIME, THE PERSON LEAVES THE RETAIL MERCANTILE ESTABLISHMENT WITH SUCH PROPERTY BY USE OF A DESIGNATED EMER-

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

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l GENCY EXIT. FOR THE PURPOSES OF THIS SUBDIVISION, THE TERM "RETAIL

- MERCANTILE ESTABLISHMENT" SHALL MEAN A PLACE WHERE GOODS, WARES, OR
- 3 MERCHANDISE ARE OFFERED TO THE PUBLIC FOR SALE. FOR PURPOSES OF THIS
- 4 SUBDIVISION, ORGANIZED RETAIL CRIME SHALL MEAN THE STEALING, EMBEZZLE-
- 5 MENT, OR OBTAINING BY FRAUD, FALSE PRETENSES, OR OTHER ILLEGAL MEANS, OF 6 RETAIL MERCHANDISE IN QUANTITIES THAT WOULD NOT NORMALLY BE PURCHASED
- 7 FOR PERSONAL USE OR CONSUMPTION, FOR THE PURPOSE OF RESELLING, TRADING,
- 8 OR OTHERWISE REENTERING SUCH RETAIL MERCHANDISE INTO COMMERCE.
- 9 S 2. This act shall take effect on the first of November next succeed-
- 10 ing the date on which it shall have become a law.