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AN ACT to amend the executive law, in relation to prohibiting a law enforcement agency or officer from inquiring about immigration status

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

- 1 Section 1. The executive law is amended by adding a new section 844 to 2 read as follows:
  - S 844. INQUIRY INTO IMMIGRATION STATUS LIMITED. A. IN CONDUCTING A ROUTINE OR SPONTANEOUS INVESTIGATORY ACTIVITY, INCLUDING AN INTERVIEW, A DETENTION, A TRAFFIC STOP, A PEDESTRIAN STOP, A FRISK OR OTHER TYPE OF BODILY SEARCH OR A SEARCH OF PERSONAL OR REAL PROPERTY, A LAW ENFORCEMENT AGENCY OR A LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICER SHALL NOT INQUIRE ABOUT OR SEEK PROOF OF A PERSON'S IMMIGRATION STATUS.
- 9 B. IN CONDUCTING AN INVESTIGATORY ACTIVITY IN CONNECTION WITH AN 10 INVESTIGATION, A LAW ENFORCEMENT AGENCY OR A LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICER 11 SHALL NOT INQUIRE ABOUT OR SEEK PROOF OF A VICTIM'S OR WITNESS'S IMMI-12 GRATION STATUS.
- C. IN CONDUCTING AN INVESTIGATORY ACTIVITY IN CONNECTION WITH AN INVESTIGATION, A LAW ENFORCEMENT AGENCY OR A LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICER SHALL NOT INQUIRE ABOUT OR SEEK PROOF OF A PERSON'S IMMIGRATION STATUS, 16 UNLESS:
  - (1) THE PERSON IS BOOKED INTO A DETENTION FACILITY; OR
- 18 (2) THE PERSON IS ARRESTED FOR A VIOLATION OF THE PENAL LAW OF THE 19 STATE OR A POLITICAL SUBDIVISION OF THE STATE AND THE IMMIGRATION STATUS 20 OF THAT PERSON IS PERTINENT TO THE CRIMINAL INVESTIGATION.
- 21 S 2. This act shall take effect immediately.

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

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