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AN ACT to establish a workgroup to examine and make recommendations on the security and protection of New York national guard recruiting centers

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

- 1     Section 1. 1. The division of military and naval affairs shall estab-  
2     lish a workgroup to examine and make recommendations on the security and  
3     protection of New York national guard recruiting centers from terrorist  
4     attacks.  
5     2. The workgroup shall consist of 13 members as follows: the adjutant  
6     general of the division of military and naval affairs, the chair of the  
7     senate committee on veterans, homeland security and military affairs,  
8     the commissioner of the division of homeland security and emergency  
9     services, the chair of the assembly committee on veterans' affairs, the  
10    superintendent of state police, four members appointed by the governor,  
11    two members appointed by the temporary president of the senate and two  
12    members appointed by the speaker of the assembly. The adjutant general  
13    of the division of military and naval affairs shall serve as chair of  
14    the workgroup. All appointees shall have expertise in the fields of  
15    public safety, terrorism, or military affairs. Members of the workgroup  
16    shall receive no compensation for their services, but shall be allowed  
17    actual and necessary expenses incurred in the performance of their  
18    duties.  
19    3. The workgroup shall examine and make recommendations on issues  
20    including:

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

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1 a. Providing sidearms or issuing permits to carry a concealed firearm  
2 to full-time New York national guard personnel employed at recruiting  
3 centers;

4 b. Improving and strengthening building security through the installa-  
5 tion of metal detectors, bulletproof glass, video surveillance equipment  
6 and barricades to limit vehicle access at national guard recruiting  
7 centers and at ROTC facilities;

8 c. Relocating recruiting centers to armories or other secure  
9 locations; and

10 d. Any additional measures deemed necessary by the workgroup to  
11 protect employees, recruits, visitors and any other individuals at New  
12 York national guard recruiting centers and ROTC facilities.

13 4. The workgroup shall convene by March 1, 2016 and shall issue recom-  
14 mendations no later than December 31, 2016, and shall issue periodic  
15 reports with recommendations thereafter.

16 5. The division of military and naval affairs shall consider the  
17 recommendations of the workgroup and shall be authorized to take such  
18 steps necessary to expeditiously implement such recommendations includ-  
19 ing adoption of conforming regulations.

20 6. The workgroup shall issue a report on an annual basis to the tempo-  
21 rary president of the senate, the speaker of the assembly, the chair of  
22 the senate committee on veterans, homeland security and military affairs  
23 and the chair of the assembly committee on veterans' affairs.

24 S 2. This act shall take effect immediately.