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2015-2016 Regular Sessions

IN ASSEMBLY

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Introduced by M. of A. RODRIGUEZ -- read once and referred to the Committee on Codes -- committee discharged, bill amended, ordered reprinted as amended and recommitted to said committee

amend the penal law, in relation to criminal possession of AN ACT to marihuana in the fifth degree

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

Section 1. Section 221.10 of the penal law, as amended by chapter 265 1 of the laws of 1979 and subdivision 2 as amended by chapter 75 of 2 the 3 laws of 1995, is amended to read as follows: 4

S 221.10 Criminal possession of marihuana in the fifth degree.

5 A person is guilty of criminal possession of marihuana in the fifth degree when he OR SHE knowingly and unlawfully possesses: 6

7 1. marihuana in a public place, as defined in section 240.00 of this 8 [chapter] PART, and such marihuana is burning [or open to public view]; 9 or

2. 10 ONE OR MORE PREPARATIONS, COMPOUNDS, MIXTURES OR SUBSTANCES CONTAINING MARIHUANA AND THE PREPARATIONS, COMPOUNDS, MIXTURES 11 OR SUBSTANCES ARE OF AN AGGREGATE WEIGHT OF MORE THAN FIFTEEN 12 GRAMS AND IN A PUBLIC PLACE, AS DEFINED IN SECTION 240.00 OF 13 SUCH POSSESSION IS THIS PART, AND SUCH PREPARATIONS, COMPOUNDS, MIXTURES OR SUBSTANCES 14 ARE 15 OPEN TO PUBLIC VIEW; OR

16 3. one or more preparations, compounds, mixtures or substances 17 containing marihuana and the preparations, compounds, mixtures or 18 substances are of an aggregate weight of more than twenty-five grams.

Criminal possession of marihuana in the fifth degree is a class B 19 20 misdemeanor.

21 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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