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Introduced by M. of A. SEPULVEDA, NOJAY, GOTTFRIED, ROBINSON, BLAKE, BRONSON, CRESPO, RODRIGUEZ, RICHARDSON, MOSLEY, CAHILL, WALKER -- Multi-Sponsored by -- M. of A. COOK, HYNDMAN, SIMON -- read once and referred to the Committee on Correction -- committee discharged, bill amended, ordered reprinted as amended and recommitted to said committee

AN ACT in relation to the examination of an incarcerated individual's re-entry planning; and providing for the repeal of such provisions upon expiration thereof

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

Section 1. The office of temporary and disability assistance and the department of corrections and community supervision shall examine, evaluate and make recommendations on any current sanctions or barriers to re-entry to the community after a sentence of incarceration that exist in statute, law, regulation, policy or practice of the state or local social services districts that have an impact on individuals prior to or after their release from incarceration. The topics examined by such office and department shall, include, but not be limited to any such sanctions or barriers to re-entry that may be found in the following areas:

(a) Housing;
(b) Medical;
(c) Mental health counseling;
(d) Substance abuse and addiction services;
(e) Employment;
(f) Benefits programs; and
(g) Childcare services.

S 2. The office of temporary and disability assistance and the department of corrections and community supervision shall request and shall receive any available information from state and local agencies that are relevant and material to the study required by section one of this act.

S 3. Within twelve months of the effective date of this act, the commissioner of the office of temporary and disability assistance and

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

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the commissioner of the department of corrections and community supervision shall submit a report to the governor, the temporary president of the senate, the speaker of the assembly, the minority leader of the senate and minority leader of the assembly and the chairs of the relevant committees in both the senate and assembly, on such office's and such department's findings, conclusions and recommendations and shall submit therewith such legislative or regulatory proposals as deemed necessary to implement their recommendations.

S 4. This act shall take effect immediately and shall expire and be deemed repealed one year after it shall have become a law.