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IN ASSEMBLY

June 10, 2020

Introduced by COMMITTEE ON RULES -- (at request of M. of A. Sayegh) -- read once and referred to the Committee on Correction

AN ACT to amend the correction law, in relation to prohibiting the transfer of incarcerated individuals during a public health emergency unless the incarcerated individual requests such transfer

The People of the State of New York, represented in Senate and Assembly, do enact as follows:

Section 1. The correction law is amended by adding a new section 626 1 2 to read as follows: § 626. Care of incarcerated individuals during a public health emer-3 4 gency. (a) No incarcerated individual shall be transferred from a state 5 correctional facility or a local correctional facility to a different 6 state correctional facility or local correctional facility during a 7 declared public health emergency; provided, however, that if there is an outbreak of a disease in a state correctional facility or a local 8 9 correctional facility, incarcerated individuals may be transferred from 10 such facility; provided further, however, that this section shall not 11 apply to transfers requested by incarcerated individuals. 12 (b) During a declared public health emergency, each incarcerated indi-13 vidual shall be continually tested for any disease related to such 14 public health emergency as soon as is practicable following the develop-15 ment of a test for such disease. The results from the tests of incarcer-16 ated individuals shall be reported to the commissioner, the governor, 17 the temporary president of the senate, and the speaker of the assembly.

18 § 2. This act shall take effect immediately.

EXPLANATION--Matter in <u>italics</u> (underscored) is new; matter in brackets [-] is old law to be omitted.

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