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## IN ASSEMBLY

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Introduced by M. of A. BARRON, VANEL, CAHILL, ORTIZ, BICHOTTE, HYNDMAN  
-- Multi-Sponsored by -- M. of A. BLAKE, COOK, DAVILA, GOTTFRIED,  
JAFFEE, JEAN-PIERRE, MOSLEY, NOLAN, PEOPLES-STOKES, PICHARDO, SIMON,  
WALKER -- read once and referred to the Committee on Correction

AN ACT to amend the correction law, in relation to establishing a  
commission on improving education in state prisons

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

1 Section 1. The correction law is amended by adding a new section 49 to  
2 read as follows:

3 § 49. Commission on prison education. There is hereby established a  
4 commission on prison education comprised of nine members who shall study  
5 and develop a plan for improving education in the state prison system.  
6 The commission on prison education shall consider and investigate the  
7 following factors when determining education improvements: the impact on  
8 an inmate's employment opportunities upon release from prison, the  
9 impact on an inmate's reintegration into society and the effectiveness  
10 in reducing recidivism. Appointments to the task force shall be made as  
11 follows: three by the governor; two by the speaker of the assembly; one  
12 by the minority leader of the assembly; two by the temporary president  
13 of the senate and one by the minority leader of the senate. The commis-  
14 sion on prison education shall issue a report within ten months after  
15 the effective date of this section.

16 § 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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