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IN ASSEMBLY

January 7, 2021

Introduced by M. of A. SEAWRIGHT, SIMON, EICHENSTEIN, DICKENS, ROZIC, GALEF -- read once and referred to the Committee on Codes

AN ACT to amend the penal law, in relation to mandated training or counseling in hate crime prevention and education for individuals convicted of hate crimes

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

Section 1. Subdivision 5 of section 485.10 of the penal law, as added by chapter 158 of the laws of 2010, is amended to read as follows:

5. In addition to any of the dispositions authorized by this chapter, the court [~~may~~] **shall** require as part of the sentence imposed upon a person convicted of a hate crime pursuant to this article, that the defendant complete a program, training session or counseling session directed at hate crime prevention and education, where the court determines such program, training session or counseling session is appropriate, available and was developed or authorized by the court or local agencies in cooperation with organizations serving the affected community.

§ 2. This act shall take effect on the thirtieth day after it shall have become a law.

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

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