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Introduced by M. of A. DINOWITZ -- (at request of the Division of Criminal Justice Services) -- read once and referred to the Committee on Codes

AN ACT to amend the executive law, in relation to the accreditation of agencies examining latent fingerprints

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

Section 1. Subdivision 1 of section 995 of the executive law, as added by chapter 737 of the laws of 1994, is amended to read as follows:

1. For purposes of general forensic analysis the term "forensic laboratory" shall mean any laboratory operated by the state or unit of local government that performs forensic testing on evidence in a criminal investigation or proceeding or for purposes of identification [~~provided, however, that the examination of latent fingerprints by a police agency shall not be subject to the provisions of this article~~].

§ 2. This act shall take effect on the first of September next succeeding the date on which it shall have become a law, provided however that a police agency examining latent fingerprints shall attain accreditation no later than five years after the effective date of this act.

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

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