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IN SENATE

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Introduced by Sens. SKOUFIS, GAUGHRAN, THOMAS -- read twice and ordered printed, and when printed to be committed to the Committee on Higher Education

AN ACT to amend the education law, in relation to directing the board of trustees of the state university to include, on every application for admission to a state-operated institution, a question on whether the applicant has been convicted of any violent felony sex offense

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

Section 1. Section 355 of the education law is amended by adding a new subdivision 17-a to read as follows:

17-a. The board of trustees of the state university shall adopt rules providing that each application for admission to a state-operated institution shall require the applicant to state whether he or she has ever been convicted of a violent felony sex offense, as defined in subdivision one of section 70.80 of the penal law, in this state or of an offense in any other jurisdiction in the United States which includes all of the essential elements of a violent felony sex offense in this state. If an applicant has been convicted of such an offense, he or she shall identify the violent felony sex offense or offenses of which he or she was convicted, the date or dates of such conviction or convictions, and the court or courts in which such conviction or convictions were rendered.

§ 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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