STATE OF NEW YORK

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IN SENATE

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Introduced by Sen. SEPULVEDA -- read twice and ordered printed, and when printed to be committed to the Committee on Crime Victims, Crime and Correction

AN ACT to amend the executive law, in relation to permitting a qualified inmate eligible for early release to receive a conditional release

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

Section 1. Subparagraph (i) of paragraph (d) of subdivision 2 of section 259-i of the executive law, as amended by section 38-f-1 of subpart A of part C of chapter 62 of the laws of 2011, is amended to read as follows:

(i) Notwithstanding the provisions of paragraphs (a), (b) and (c) of this subdivision, after the inmate has served his **or her** minimum period of imprisonment imposed by the court **or is eligible for early release from imprisonment**, or at any time after the inmate's period of imprisonment has commenced for an inmate serving a determinate or indeterminate term of imprisonment, provided that the inmate has had a final order of deportation issued against him **or her** and provided further that the inmate is not convicted of either an A-I felony offense other than an A-I felony offense as defined in article two hundred twenty of the penal law or a violent felony offense as defined in section 70.02 of the penal law, if the inmate is subject to deportation by the United States Bureau of Immigration and Customs Enforcement, in addition to the criteria set forth in paragraph (c) of this subdivision, the board may consider, as a factor warranting earlier release, the fact that such inmate will be deported, and may grant parole from an indeterminate sentence or release for deportation from a determinate sentence to such inmate conditioned specifically on his **or her** prompt deportation. The board may make such conditional grant of early parole from an indeterminate sentence or release for deportation from a determinate sentence only where it has received from the United States Bureau of Immigration and Customs

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

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Enforcement assurance (A) that an order of deportation will be executed or that proceedings will promptly be commenced for the purpose of deportation upon release of the inmate from the custody of the department of correctional services, and (B) that the inmate, if granted parole or release for deportation pursuant to this paragraph, will not be released from the custody of the United States Bureau of Immigration and Customs Enforcement, unless such release be as a result of deportation without providing the board a reasonable opportunity to arrange for execution of its warrant for the retaking of such person.

§ 2. This act shall take effect immediately.