

STATE OF NEW YORK

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2023-2024 Regular Sessions

IN ASSEMBLY

February 14, 2023

Introduced by M. of A. DICKENS -- read once and referred to the Committee on Codes

AN ACT to amend the penal law, in relation to hate crimes

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

1 Section 1. Subdivision 2 of section 485.05 of the penal law, as
2 amended by chapter 8 of the laws of 2019, is amended to read as follows:
3 2. Proof of race, color, national origin, ancestry, gender, gender
4 identity or expression, religion, religious practice, age, disability or
5 sexual orientation of the defendant, the victim or of both the defendant
6 and the victim [~~does not, by itself, constitute legally sufficient~~
7 ~~evidence satisfying~~] creates a rebuttable presumption of evidence and
8 prima facie case sufficient to satisfy the people's burden upon such
9 element of the crime, animus, under paragraph (a) or (b) of subdivision
10 one of this section.
11 § 2. Subdivisions 3 and 4 of section 485.10 of the penal law, as added
12 by chapter 107 of the laws of 2000, are amended to read as follows:
13 3. Notwithstanding any other provision of law, when a person is
14 convicted of a hate crime pursuant to this article and the specified
15 offense is a class B felony:
16 (a) the maximum term of the indeterminate sentence must be at least
17 [~~six~~] ten years if the defendant is sentenced pursuant to section 70.00
18 of this chapter;
19 (b) the term of the determinate sentence must be at least [~~eight~~] ten
20 years if the defendant is sentenced pursuant to section 70.02 of this
21 chapter;
22 (c) the term of the determinate sentence must be at least [~~twelve~~]
23 fifteen years if the defendant is sentenced pursuant to section 70.04 of
24 this chapter;

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

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1 (d) the maximum term of the indeterminate sentence must be at least
2 [~~four~~ six years if the defendant is sentenced pursuant to section 70.05
3 of this chapter; and

4 (e) the maximum term of the indeterminate sentence or the term of the
5 determinate sentence must be at least [~~ten~~ fifteen years if the defend-
6 ant is sentenced pursuant to section 70.06 of this chapter.

7 4. Notwithstanding any other provision of law, when a person is
8 convicted of a hate crime pursuant to this article and the specified
9 offense is a class A-1 felony, the minimum period of the indeterminate
10 sentence shall be not less than [~~twenty~~ twenty-five years.

11 § 3. Section 485.10 of the penal law is amended by adding a new subdi-
12 vision 6 to read as follows:

13 6. The court shall impose a monetary fine that equates the cost of
14 prosecution.

15 § 4. This act shall take effect on the first of July next succeeding
16 the date on which it shall have become a law.