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## IN SENATE

January 25, 2023

Introduced by Sen. HELMING -- 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 correction law, in relation to creating a contraband and drug information hotline

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

1 Section 1. Section 2 of the correction law is amended by adding a new  
2 subdivision 35 to read as follows:

3 35. "Contraband" means anything, which is capable of such use as may  
4 endanger the safety or security of a detention facility or any person  
5 therein which shall include, but not be limited to firearms and other  
6 dangerous weapons as defined in section 265.00 of the penal law, danger-  
7 ous instruments as defined in subdivision thirteen of section 10.00 of  
8 the penal law, destructive devices as defined in 26 USC § 5845 (f) and  
9 controlled substances as defined in section 220.00 of the penal law.

10 § 2. Section 112 of the correction law is amended by adding a new  
11 subdivision 6 to read as follows:

12 6. The commissioner shall promulgate rules and regulations to facili-  
13 tate the implementation and operation of a statewide, toll-free tele-  
14 phone number, or hotline, to receive reports from callers providing any  
15 information related to the introduction of contraband or possession of  
16 contraband in a state correctional institution by inmates, visitors or  
17 staff members. Such hotline shall receive reports of allegations of  
18 reportable incidents twenty-four hours per day, seven days a week and  
19 shall accept anonymous calls.

20 § 3. 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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