

# STATE OF NEW YORK

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## IN ASSEMBLY

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Introduced by M. of A. EPSTEIN, K. BROWN -- read once and referred to the Committee on Mental Health

AN ACT to amend the mental hygiene law, in relation to authorizing certain public officials and members of the clergy to visit sex offender civil confinement facilities

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

1 Section 1. Section 10.10 of the mental hygiene law is amended by  
2 adding a new subdivision (j) to read as follows:

3 (j) The following persons shall be authorized to visit at pleasure all  
4 secure treatment facilities established under this article: governor and  
5 lieutenant-governor, commissioner of general services, secretary of  
6 state, comptroller and attorney-general, members of the legislature and  
7 their accompanying staff, judges of the court of appeals, supreme court  
8 and county judges, district attorneys and every clergyman or minister,  
9 as such terms are defined in section two of the religious corporations  
10 law, having charge of a congregation in the county wherein any such  
11 facility is situated.

12 § 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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