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2025-2026 Regular Sessions

IN SENATE

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Introduced by Sens. FAHY, SALAZAR -- read twice and ordered printed, and when printed to be committed to the Committee on Education

AN ACT to amend the education law, in relation to degree-granting programs offered by SUNY's office of higher education in prison

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

1 Section 1. Section 305 of the education law is amended by adding a new
2 subdivision 63 to read as follows:

3 63. The commissioner shall promulgate rules and/or regulations neces-
4 sary to direct the university of the state of New York's office of high-
5 er education in prison to develop and implement a plan with the goal of
6 operating a degree-granting program in every correctional facility, as
7 defined by section two of the correction law, located in the state, and
8 enrolling at least two thousand students in such programs, by January
9 first, two thousand twenty-nine.

10 § 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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