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2025-2026 Regular Sessions

## IN SENATE

February 18, 2025

Introduced by Sens. GRIFFO, GALLIVAN, HELMING -- read twice and ordered printed, and when printed to be committed to the Committee on Banks

AN ACT to amend the banking law and the penal law, in relation to increasing the penalty for robbery of property from a bank

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

1 Section 1. Subdivision 2 of section 592 of the banking law, as amended  
2 by chapter 472 of the laws of 2008, is amended to read as follows:  
3 2. The superintendent may refuse to issue a license pursuant to this  
4 article if [~~he or she~~] they shall find that the applicant, or any person  
5 who is a director, officer, partner, agent, employee, substantial stock-  
6 holder of the applicant, consultant or person having a relationship with  
7 the applicant similar to a consultant, (a) has been convicted of a crime  
8 involving an activity which is a felony under this chapter or under  
9 article one hundred fifty-five, one hundred seventy, one hundred seven-  
10 ty-five, one hundred seventy-six, one hundred eighty, one hundred eight-  
11 y-five, one hundred eighty-seven, one hundred ninety, two hundred, two  
12 hundred ten or four hundred seventy, or subdivision four of section  
13 160.10 of the penal law or any comparable felony under the laws of any  
14 other state or the United States, provided that such crime would be a  
15 felony if committed and prosecuted under the laws of this state or (b)  
16 has had a license or registration revoked by the superintendent or (c)  
17 has been a director, partner, or substantial stockholder of an entity  
18 which has had a license or registration revoked by the superintendent or  
19 (d) has been an agent, employee or officer of an entity, or a consultant  
20 to, or person having had a similar relationship with, any entity which  
21 has had a license or registration revoked by the superintendent where  
22 such person shall have been found by the superintendent to bear respon-  
23 sibility in connection with the revocation. The term "substantial stock-  
24 holder", as used in this subdivision, shall be deemed to refer to a

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

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1 person owning or controlling directly or indirectly ten per centum or  
2 more of the total outstanding stock of a corporation.

3 § 2. Subdivision 2 of section 592-a of the banking law, as amended by  
4 chapter 472 of the laws of 2008, is amended to read as follows:

5 2. The superintendent may refuse to issue a certificate pursuant to  
6 this article if [~~he or she~~] they shall find that the applicant, or any  
7 person who is a director, officer, partner, agent, employee, substantial  
8 stockholder of the applicant, consultant or person having a relationship  
9 with the applicant similar to a consultant, (a) has been convicted of a  
10 crime involving an activity which is a felony under this chapter or  
11 under article one hundred fifty-five, one hundred seventy, one hundred  
12 seventy-five, one hundred seventy-six, one hundred eighty, one hundred  
13 eighty-five, one hundred eighty-seven, one hundred ninety, two hundred,  
14 two hundred ten or four hundred seventy, or subdivision four of section  
15 160.10 of the penal law or any comparable felony under the laws of any  
16 other state or the United States, provided that such crime would be a  
17 felony if committed and prosecuted under the laws of this state or (b)  
18 has had a license or registration revoked by the superintendent or (c)  
19 has been a director, partner, or substantial stockholder of an entity  
20 which has had a license or registration revoked by the superintendent or  
21 (d) has been an agent, employee or officer of an entity, or a consultant  
22 to, or person having had a similar relationship with, any entity which  
23 has had a license or registration revoked by the superintendent where  
24 such person shall have been found by the superintendent to bear respon-  
25 sibility in connection with the revocation. The term "substantial stock-  
26 holder", as used in this subdivision, shall be deemed to refer to a  
27 person owning or controlling directly or indirectly ten per centum or  
28 more of the total outstanding stock of a corporation.

29 § 3. Subdivision 3 of section 160.10 of the penal law, as added by  
30 chapter 308 of the laws of 1995, is amended and a new subdivision 4 is  
31 added to read as follows:

32 3. The property consists of a motor vehicle, as defined in section one  
33 hundred twenty-five of the vehicle and traffic law~~[-]~~; or

34 4. The property is stolen from a bank, trust company, savings bank,  
35 safe deposit company, savings and loan association or credit union, as  
36 such terms are defined in section two of the banking law, or from a  
37 foreign banking corporation licensed pursuant to article two of the  
38 banking law, or from a bank, trust company, savings bank, savings and  
39 loan association, credit union or foreign banking corporation which is  
40 incorporated, chartered, organized or licensed under the laws of any  
41 other state or the United States and which maintains branch offices in  
42 this state.

43 § 4. This act shall take effect on the first of November next succeed-  
44 ing the date on which it shall have become a law.