FY 2023 NEW YORK STATE EXECUTIVE BUDGET

PRIVATE SECTOR EMPLOYMENT FOR INCARCERATED INDIVIDUALS CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

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A BUDGET BILL submitted by the Governor in Accordance with Article VII of the Constitution

CONCURRENT RESOLUTION OF THE SENATE AND ASSEMBLY

AN ACT proposing an amendment to section 24 of article 3 of the constitution, in relation to authorizing incarcerated individuals to be employed by and be paid compensation by a private sector entity or part of a prison industries certification program authorized by the laws of the United States

Purpose:

This concurrent resolution would amend the state constitution to allow public-private partnerships that would enable hybrid work release programs within correctional facilities.

Summary of Provisions and Statement in Support:

This bill would create private-sector engagements that provide critical job skills to incarcerated individuals, resulting in a more successful re-entry and expanded job opportunities. All in-prison work opportunities arising from these partnerships would be voluntary.

Effective Date:

This concurrent resolution becomes effective following passage by the Legislature over two successive legislative sessions, upon approval by voters.