



Bills That Support Visiting in New York State

Strengthening visiting in New York State prisons

A7241: Introduced by AssemblyMember David Weprin

S6725: Sponsored by Senator Velmanette Montgomery

This bill would codify visiting, ensuring in-person visits are made available seven days a week to people who are incarcerated in New York State prisons. This would require medium-security facilities to increase visiting to seven days a week from 3 days a week.

Prison visiting buses

A7016: Introduced by AssemblyMember Carmen De La Rosa)

S5693: Sponsored by Senator Velmanette Montgomery

This bill would reinstate the prison visiting bus program that would provide families with bi-monthly free transportation from New York, Rochester, Syracuse and Albany to New York State prisons.

Proximity: bringing parents closer to their children

There are multiple bills that would require DOCCS to consider proximity to children when deciding facility placement:

- S3727/A1272 (Montgomery/Rozic) Requires DOCCS to place incarcerated parents at facilities of designated security level that are closest to their children.
- S1096/A6643A (Rivera/Crespo) Three-year Pilot placing 100 incarcerated parents at facility of designated security level that is closest to their children.
- S5701A/A7527 (Hamilton/Crespo) Three-year Proximity Pilot for 100-200 incarcerated mothers.

For more information about how to get involved please contact the New York Initiative for Children of Incarcerated Parents at NYInitiative@osborneny.org



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