

COMMITTEE ON CRIMINAL JUSTICE

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Of the

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November 25, 2025

Start: 10:08 a.m.

Recess: 10:13 a.m.

HELD AT: 250 BROADWAY - 8TH FLOOR - HEARING
ROOM 3

B E F O R E: Sandy Nurse, Chairperson

COUNCIL MEMBERS:

Shaun Abreu
Shahana Hanif
Christopher Marte
Althea V. Stevens

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2 SERGEANT-AT-ARMS: This is a microphone
3 check on the vote on Criminal Justice recorded by
4 James Marino on November 25th, 2025 in Hearing Room
5 3.

6 SERGEANT-AT-ARMS: Good morning, and
7 welcome to today's vote from New York City Council
8 Committee on Criminal Justice.

9 At this time, I'd like to remind everyone
10 to please silence their electronic devices and at no
11 point going forward is anyone to approach the dais.

12 Chair, we are ready to begin.

13 CHAIRPERSON NURSE: [GAVEL] Good morning.
14 Welcome to today's Criminal Justice Committee vote on
15 Proposed Introduction Number 1241-A in relation to
16 the Department of Correction Work Release Program,
17 which I sponsored.

18 I want to recognize my Colleagues who are
19 here, Council Member Marte, Council Members Abreu,
20 Stevens, Hanif. Thank you all for being here. We are
21 on time today.

22 Article 6A of the New York State
23 Correction Law requires the Department of Correction
24 to establish a work release program for sentenced
25 individuals in the Department's custody. Under 6A,

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2 some individuals serving a City sentence may serve
3 the remainder of their sentence in the community
4 under supervision. Proposed Introduction 1241-A would
5 increase transparency into the use of 6A by requiring
6 DOC to produce a biannual report on the work release
7 program including the number of individuals
8 considered eligible for, accepted to, and rejected
9 from the program. The bill would also require DOC to
10 respond to recommendations made by recent Board of
11 Correction Ad Hoc Committee to increase appropriate
12 usage of the work release program.

13 I now ask the Clerk to call the roll.

14 COMMITTEE CLERK WILLIAM MARTIN: Good
15 morning. William Martin, Committee Clerk. Roll call
16 vote, Committee on Criminal Justice, Proposed
17 Introduction 1241-A.

18 Chair Nurse.

19 CHAIRPERSON NURSE: I vote aye.

20 COMMITTEE CLERK WILLIAM MARTIN: Ayala.
21 Cabán. Abreu.

22 COUNCIL MEMBER ABREU: Aye.

23 COMMITTEE CLERK WILLIAM MARTIN: Hanif.

24 COUNCIL MEMBER HANIF: Aye.

25 COMMITTEE CLERK WILLIAM MARTIN: Marte.

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2 COUNCIL MEMBER MARTE: Aye.

3 COMMITTEE CLERK WILLIAM MARTIN: Narcisse.
4 Restler. Stevens.

5 COUNCIL MEMBER STEVENS: Aye.

6 COMMITTEE CLERK WILLIAM MARTIN: With a
7 vote of five in the affirmative, zero in the
8 negative, and no abstentions, item has been adopted
9 by the Committee.

10 CHAIRPERSON NURSE: Okay, we'll hold it
11 open for five minutes.

12 Okay, this Committee hearing is now
13 closed. [GAVEL]

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Date December 14, 2025