**Plain Language Summary**

**Current Introduction Number:**

Int. No. 903-A

**Prime Sponsors:**

By Council Members Adams, Miller, Holden, Ampry-Samuel, Powers, Rose, Rivera, Rosenthal, Louis, Yeger, Brooks-Powers, Brannan, Dinowitz, D. Diaz, Cumbo and Chin (by request of the Queens Borough President)

**Bill Title:**

TTTo amend the administrative code of the city of New York, in relation to funds remaining in commissary accounts when incarcerated individuals are released from custody

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**Bill Summary:**

**This plain language summary is for informational purposes only and does not substitute for legal counsel. For more information, you should review the full text of the bill, which is available online at legistar.council.nyc.gov.**

This bill would require the Department of Correction to assist people being released in the process of receiving unused commissary funds and ensure that any person with unused commissary funds is immediately given up to $200 in commissary funds in cash upon request. The bill would also require the Department to make reasonable efforts to return unused commissary funds to formerly incarcerated individuals and to establish a plan for raising awareness regarding obtaining commissary funds. It would also require a yearly report on the outstanding commissary funds and the attempts made to return such funds.

**Effective Date:**

180 days after becoming law

**Legislative Impact:**

**☐ Agency Rulemaking Required**: Is City agency rulemaking required?

**☒ Report Required**: Is a report due to Council required?

**☐ Sunset Date Included**: Does the legislation have a sunset date?

**☐ Council Appointment Required**: Is an appointment by the Council required?

**☐ Other Appointment Required**: Are other appointments not by the Council required?

**Note:** In the full bill text online at legistar.council.nyc.gov, language in proposed consolidated laws that is enclosed by [brackets] would be deleted, and language that is underlined would be new. Language in proposed unconsolidated laws, in contrast, will not have brackets or underlining because it would be entirely new. Consolidation means that the law is placed in the New York City Charter or Administrative Code.

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