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Memorandum in Support

S8027-A – Senator Savino A8647 – MOA Weprin

An act to amend the penal law, in relation to establishing the crime of forcible touching of a correction officer, and to increase criminal penalties for certain sexual offenses committed against correction officers

SUPPORT!

These proposed measures, while substantively but not technically same as, would take effect immediately upon enactment. They would create stronger laws that will better protect Correction Officers and will help in the prosecution of those who abuse them.

Correction Officers, not exclusively but for the most part female officers, are increasingly the victims of sexual assaults by incarcerated individuals. Current law affords scant deterrence and allow these assaults to go unpunished. These proposed measures are necessary to help protect the corrections work force.

NYSPEC is an umbrella organization comprising more than 80 diverse unions and groups representing a wide spectrum of more than one million active and retired public employees. We wholeheartedly support these proposed measures, and urge swift enactment.

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