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Senate Passes Tough Sentences for Sex Offenders

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Legislation Would Require Consecutive Sentences for Each Act of Rape

The New York State Senate today passed a bill that would ensure significantly longer prison sentences for serial rapists. Under current law, it is possible for a judge to issue concurrent sentences for multiple counts arising from separate and distinct acts of rape. The legislation (S.1826) would require consecutive prison sentences for each separate count of first degree rape when an individual is convicted of multiple counts.

The bill was sent to the assembly.