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Stec Calls for End to HALT

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Senator Dan Stec (R,C-Queensbury) today sponsored an amendment to legislation that would repeal the recently enacted HALT Act, which ended the use of special housing units in correctional facilities. Over the past year, there has been a dramatic increase in attacks on corrections officers and with resignations increasing and the number of new recruits decreasing, repealing HALT is essential to protecting COs and ensuring facilities remain safe.

“My Senate Republican colleagues and I warned that if HALT came into effect, it would be disastrous for our correctional facilities and corrections officers,” said Stec. “Sadly, that’s proven to be correct, and it’s harder than ever for COs to protect themselves and keep these facilities secure.

“I sponsored an amendment on the Senate floor today to repeal HALT and provide officers with the support they need,” he added. “While this amendment was defeated by Senate Democrats in a partisan vote, I remain committed to putting the safety of our COs and our public first.”

Video of Senator Stec discussing a repeal of HALT can be found here:

<https://youtu.be/kiIrLpkb5vA>