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RE: Assembly Budget Committee Response

Dear Mr. Haines:

In response to Chairman Schaer’s May 2, 2017 letter requesting a written response to the question raised by the Assembly Budget Committee on April 26, 2017, I offer the following:

Assemblyman Singleton

Request: With respect to juvenile offenders who are on parole, are there any juvenile parolees who are currently sentenced to lifetime parole, and if so, how many? Is there any provision that would allow for a reconsideration of a lifetime parolee’s parole status?

Response: There is one juvenile offender who had been sentenced to a term of Life and who is presently on parole. In addition, there are two juveniles who were sentenced to Life that are currently incarcerated.

N.J.S.A. 30:4-123.66 authorizes the State Parole Board to discharge any parolee from parole prior to the expiration of the full maximum term for which he was sentenced or as authorized by the disposition, provided that such parolee has made a satisfactory adjustment while on parole, provided that continued supervision is not required, and provided the parolee has made payment of any fine or restitution.

Any other action affecting the imposed Life sentence is a matter that would need to be addressed by the Superior Court – Law Division – Family Part.
Sincerely,

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Chairman

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