recommendation as to the disposition of charges against persons who, by reason of the length of their detention, might be eligible for release under this section.

25.

(b) When it is desired to interpose the defense of insanity on behalf of one charged with the commission of a crime the defendant or his counsel shall at the time of pleading to the warrant, indictment or information unless the court for good cause shown shall allow a later plea, file a plea in writing in addition to the plea or pleas otherwise required or permitted by law, alleging that the defendant was insane at time of the commission of the alleged crime. The judge of the court in which such warrant, indictment or information is pending and in which such plea of insanity has been entered shall have full power and authority to order an examination of the mental condition of such person by the Department of HEALTH AND Mental Hygiene, subject to the provisions of § 26 of this article. At the trial of any case where there has been theretofore filed a plea of insanity at the time of the commission of the crime, the court shall direct the jury to render a special verdict on the sanity of the defendant at the time of the alleged crime. No such verdict as to insanity of the defendant at the time of the alleged crime shall be directed or accepted unless a plea in writing alleging that the defendant was insane at the time of the commission of the alleged crime shall have been filed by the defendant or his counsel.

27B.

{K}(I-1) IF THE PERSON IS DETERMINED, IN ACCORDANCE WITH SUBSECTION (E) OF THIS SECTION, TO BE IN NEED OF IN-PATIENT CARE OR TREATMENT BECAUSE OF A MENTAL DISORDER THAT IS PRIMARILY A RESULT OF MENTAL RETARDATION, THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND MENTAL HYGIENE SHALL DESIGNATE A FACILITY FOR THE MENTALLY RETARDED TO PROVIDE THE CARE AND TREATMENT.

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect July 1, 1980.

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