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AN ACT to amend the social services law, in relation to permitting social services officials investigating whether an adult is in need of protective services to have access to certain confidential reports

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK, REPRESENTED IN SENATE AND ASSEMBLY, DO ENACT AS FOLLOWS:

1     Section 1. Subparagraphs (y) and (z) of paragraph (A) of subdivision 4  
2     of section 422 of the social services law, subparagraph (y) as amended  
3     and subparagraph (z) as added by section 1 of part A of chapter 327 of  
4     the laws of 2007, are amended and a new subparagraph (aa) is added to  
5     read as follows:  
6     (y) members of a citizen review panel as established pursuant to  
7     section three hundred seventy-one-b of this article; provided, however,  
8     members of a citizen review panel shall not disclose to any person or  
9     government official any identifying information which the panel has been  
10    provided and shall not make public other information unless otherwise  
11    authorized by statute; [and]  
12    (z) an entity with appropriate legal authority in another state to  
13    license, certify or otherwise approve prospective foster and adoptive  
14    parents where disclosure of information regarding the prospective foster  
15    or adoptive parents and other persons over the age of eighteen residing  
16    in the home of such prospective parents is required by paragraph twenty  
17    of subdivision (a) of section six hundred seventy-one of title forty-two  
18    of the United States code[.]; AND  
19    (AA) A SOCIAL SERVICES OFFICIAL WHO IS INVESTIGATING WHETHER AN ADULT  
20    IS IN NEED OF PROTECTIVE SERVICES IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE PROVISIONS OF  
21    SECTION FOUR HUNDRED SEVENTY-THREE OF THIS CHAPTER, WHEN SUCH OFFICIAL  
22    HAS REASONABLE CAUSE TO BELIEVE SUCH ADULT MAY BE IN NEED OF PROTECTIVE  
23    SERVICES DUE TO THE CONDUCT OF AN INDIVIDUAL OR INDIVIDUALS WHO HAD  
24    ACCESS TO SUCH ADULT WHEN SUCH ADULT WAS A CHILD AND THAT SUCH REPORTS  
25    AND INFORMATION ARE NEEDED TO FURTHER THE PRESENT INVESTIGATION.  
26    S 2. This act shall take effect immediately.

EXPLANATION--Matter in ITALICS (underscored) is new; matter in brackets  
[ ] is old law to be omitted.

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