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Introduced by Sen. SALAND -- read twice and ordered printed, and when printed to be committed to the Committee on Children and Families -- reported favorably from said committee, ordered to first and second report, ordered to a third reading, amended and ordered reprinted, retaining its place in the order of third reading

AN ACT to amend the social services law, in relation to expanding the persons responsible for reporting cases of suspected child abuse

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

Section 1. Paragraph (a) of subdivision 1 of section 413 of the social services law, as amended by chapter 91 of the laws of 2011, is amended to read as follows:

(a) The following persons and officials are required to report or 5 cause a report to be made in accordance with this title when they have 6 reasonable cause to suspect that a child coming before them in their 7 professional or official capacity is an abused or maltreated child, or when they have reasonable cause to suspect that a child is an abused or 8 maltreated child where the parent, guardian, custodian or other person 9 10 legally responsible for such child comes before them in their professional or official capacity and states from personal knowledge facts, 11 12 conditions or circumstances which, if correct, would render the child an abused or maltreated child: any physician; registered physician assist-13 surgeon; medical examiner; coroner; dentist; dental hygienist; 14 15 osteopath; optometrist; chiropractor; podiatrist; resident; intern; 16 psychologist; registered nurse; social worker; emergency medical technilicensed creative arts therapist; licensed marriage and family 17 cian; therapist; licensed mental health counselor; licensed psychoanalyst; 18 hospital personnel engaged in the admission, examination, care or treat-19 ment of persons; a Christian Science practitioner; school official, 20 21 which includes but is not limited to school teacher, school guidance 22 counselor, school psychologist, school social worker, school nurse, 23 school administrator or other school personnel required to hold a teaching or administrative license or certificate; SCHOOL ATHLETIC DIRECTOR; 24 25 SCHOOL PERSONNEL OR OTHER PERSON REQUIRED TO HOLD A TEMPORARY COACHING

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

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LICENSE OR PROFESSIONAL COACHING CERTIFICATE; social services worker; director of a children's overnight camp, summer day camp or traveling summer day camp, as such camps are defined in section thirteen hundred ninety-two of the public health law; day care center worker; school-age 5 child care worker; provider of family or group family day care; employee or volunteer in a residential care facility defined in subdivision four 6 7 section four hundred twelve-a of this title or any other child care 8 or foster care worker; mental health professional; substance abuse counselor; alcoholism counselor; all persons credentialed by the office of 9 10 alcoholism and substance abuse services; peace officer; police officer; district attorney or assistant district attorney; investigator employed 11 in the office of a district attorney; or other law enforcement official. 12 13

S 2. This act shall take effect immediately.