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AN ACT to amend the education law, in relation to requirements for school emergency response plans

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

1 Section 1. Paragraph h of subdivision 3 of section 2801-a of the
2 education law, as added by chapter 181 of the laws of 2000, is amended
3 and a new paragraph i is added to read as follows:
4 h. policies and procedures for securing and restricting access to the
5 crime scene in order to preserve evidence in cases of violent crimes on
6 school property[.]; AND
7 I. AN EMERGENCY ALERT NOTIFICATION SYSTEM TO BE IMPLEMENTED BY THE
8 CHANCELLOR OF THE CITY SCHOOL DISTRICT OF THE CITY OF NEW YORK, TO
9 CONVEY TIMELY INFORMATION CONCERNING EMERGENCY INCIDENTS THAT ARE CAUS-
10 ING OR HAVE CAUSED THE SCHOOL ADMINISTRATION TO TAKE PROTECTIVE ACTION
11 BECAUSE OF THREATS TO THE HEALTH OR SAFETY OF STUDENTS, FACULTY AND
12 STAFF. SUCH EMERGENCY ALERT NOTIFICATION SYSTEM SHALL EMPLOY A VARIETY
13 OF COMMUNICATION METHODS DETERMINED BY THE CHANCELLOR IN HIS OR HER SOLE
14 DISCRETION TO BE MOST EFFECTIVE, INCLUDING THE AUTOMATED DELIVERY OF
15 TEXT MESSAGES, PHONE CALLS AND/OR ELECTRONIC MAIL AND SHALL NOTIFY AND
16 ADVISE PARENTS OR PERSONS IN PARENTAL RELATION, FACULTY, STAFF, ELECTED
17 REPRESENTATIVES AND RESIDENTS WHO VOLUNTEER TO RECEIVE EMERGENCY ALERT
18 NOTIFICATIONS.
19 S 2. This act shall take effect one year after it shall have become a
20 law, and the emergency alert system required by section 2801-a of the
21 education law as amended by this act shall be implemented in the school
22 year next succeeding such effective date.

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

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