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## IN ASSEMBLY

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Introduced by M. of A. WEISENBERG -- read once and referred to the Committee on Social Services

AN ACT to amend the social services law, in relation to establishment of citizen review panels for the counties of Nassau and Suffolk and Rockland and Westchester

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

- Section 1. Subdivision 1 of section 371-b of the social services law, as added by chapter 136 of the laws of 1999, is amended to read as follows:
- There shall be established at least [three] FOUR citizen review 5 panels. At least one panel shall be established for the city of New York, AT LEAST ONE PANEL SHALL BE ESTABLISHED FOR THE COUNTIES OF NASSAU, SUFFOLK, ROCKLAND AND WESTCHESTER and at least two panels shall 8 established for social services districts or combinations of districts outside of the city of New York. The panel in the city of New 9 10 York shall create one subcommittee for each borough for the purposes of evaluating the extent to which the state and the social services 11 district are discharging their child protection responsibilities within 12 13 that particular borough, in accordance with [subsection] SUBDIVISION three of this section. The office of children and family services shall 14 15 make available resources to support the needs of each citizen review
- 17 S 2. This act shall take effect immediately.

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

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