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AN ACT to amend the penal law, in relation to designating as a class E felony, the offense of endangering the welfare of an incompetent or physically disabled person

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

Section 1. Section 260.25 of the penal law, as amended by chapter 381 of the laws of 1998, is amended to read as follows:

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- 3 S 260.25 Endangering the welfare of an incompetent or physically disa-4 bled person.
  - A person is guilty of endangering the welfare of an incompetent or physically disabled person when he OR SHE knowingly acts in a manner likely to be injurious to the physical, mental or moral welfare of a person who is unable to care for himself or herself because of physical disability, mental disease or defect.
- 10 Endangering the welfare of an incompetent or physically disabled 11 person is a class [A misdemeanor] E FELONY.
- 12 S 2. This act shall take effect on the first of November next succeed-13 ing the date on which it shall have become a law.

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

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