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-- Multi-Sponsored by -- M. of A. BOYLAND, GOTTFRIED, McDONOUGH,
ROBINSON, TITONE -- read once and referred to the Committee on Mental
Health -- committee discharged, bill amended, ordered reprinted as
amended and recommitted to said committee

AN ACT to amend the mental hygiene law, in relation to duties of provid-
ers of services for the developmentally disabled

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

1 Section 1. The mental hygiene law is amended by adding a new section
2 16.25 to read as follows:
3 S 16.25 SURVEILLANCE CAMERAS.
4 (A) (I) ALL STATE AND VOLUNTARY AGENCY VEHICLES USED BY PROVIDERS WHO
5 ARE CERTIFIED, LICENSED, FUNDED OR OPERATED BY THE OFFICE THAT ARE USED
6 TO TRANSPORT CHILDREN OR ADULTS WITH MENTAL OR PHYSICAL DISABILITIES
7 SHALL BE EQUIPPED WITH SURVEILLANCE CAMERAS WITH SOUND CAPABILITY TO
8 COVER THE ENTIRE INSIDE OF THE VEHICLE.
9 (II) ALL VEHICLES USED AT A FACILITY PROVIDING RESIDENTIAL CARE TO
10 YOUTH AS SUCH TERM IS DEFINED IN PARAGRAPH (A) OR (B) OF SUBDIVISION
11 FOUR OF SECTION FOUR HUNDRED TWELVE-A OF THE SOCIAL SERVICES LAW TO
12 TRANSPORT SUCH YOUTH SHALL BE EQUIPPED WITH SURVEILLANCE CAMERAS WITH
13 SOUND CAPABILITY. THERE SHOULD ALSO BE SUFFICIENT CAMERAS TO COVER THE
14 OUTSIDE ENTRANCE AND EXIT OF THE VEHICLE.
15 (B) ANY SCHOOL OR PRIVATE TRANSPORT COMPANY VEHICLES USED TO TRANSPORT
16 CHILDREN OR ADULTS WITH MENTAL DISABILITIES SHALL BE EQUIPPED WITH
17 SURVEILLANCE CAMERAS WITH SOUND CAPABILITIES.
18 (C) ANY PROVIDER THAT FAILS TO IMPLEMENT THE PROVISIONS OF THIS
19 SECTION SHALL BE SUBJECT TO A FINE OF ONE THOUSAND DOLLARS PER DAY OF
20 NONCOMPLIANCE.
21 S 2. This act shall take effect on the one hundred eightieth day after
22 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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