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IN SENATE

January 18, 2017

Introduced by Sens. HAMILTON, ORTT -- read twice and ordered printed, and when printed to be committed to the Committee on Mental Health and Developmental Disabilities

AN ACT to amend the mental hygiene law, in relation to requiring video cameras in facilities operated by the office for people with developmental disabilities

The People of the State of New York, represented in Senate and Assembly, do enact as follows:

Section 1. Section 13.25 of the mental hygiene law is amended by adding a new subdivision (c) to read as follows:

(c) Facilities operated by the office, including group homes, residential homes, inpatient facilities and all other facilities under this title shall install video cameras at all entrances and exits. The commissioner, in consultation with the state police, shall develop a system for maintaining such recorded images.

§ 2. This act shall take effect on the one hundred eightieth day after 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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