

STATE OF NEW YORK

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IN SENATE

January 5, 2018

Introduced by Sen. ALCANTARA -- read twice and ordered printed, and when printed to be committed to the Committee on Rules

AN ACT to amend the social services law, in relation to reporting deaths and felony crimes in certain adult care facilities

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

1 Section 1. Section 461-m of the social services law, as amended by a
2 chapter of the laws of 2017, amending the social services law relating
3 to death and felony crime reports in certain adult care facilities, as
4 proposed in legislative bills numbers S. 787-A and A. 2702, is amended
5 to read as follows:

6 § 461-m. Death and felony crime reporting. The operator of an adult
7 home, enriched housing program or residence for adults shall have an
8 affirmative duty to report any death, or attempted suicide of a resident
9 to the department of health within twenty-four hours of its occurrence,
10 and shall also have an affirmative duty to report to an appropriate law
11 enforcement authority if the operator discovers an incident that the
12 operator believes or reasonably should believe would constitute a felony
13 crime against a resident of such facility as soon as possible, or in any
14 event within twenty-four hours. In addition, [~~any~~] the operator [~~of a~~
15 ~~facility defined in section four hundred eighty-eight of this chapter~~
16 ~~that is subject to this section,~~] shall[, ~~in addition,~~] send any reports
17 involving a resident who had at any time received services from a mental
18 hygiene service provider to the justice center for the protection of
19 people with special needs [~~within twenty four hours of the occurrence of~~
20 ~~the death or attempted suicide or of the discovery of an incident that~~
21 ~~the operator believed or reasonably should have believed to be a felony~~
22 ~~crime~~].

23 § 2. This act shall take effect on the same date and in the same
24 manner as a chapter of the laws of 2017, amending the social services
25 law relating to death and felony crime reports in certain adult care
26 facilities, as proposed in legislative bills numbers S. 787-A and A.
27 2702, takes effect.

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

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