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Introduced by M. of A. ABINANTI, FAHY, D'URSO, ORTIZ, CRESPO, COOK, WILLIAMS, DINOWITZ, GALEF, MORINELLO, DICKENS, WALKER, BLAKE, BARRON, GOTTFRIED, RIVERA, HOOPER, LAWRENCE, SEAWRIGHT -- Multi-Sponsored by -- M. of A. HYNDMAN, SIMON, THIELE, WALSH -- read once and referred to the Committee on Mental Health -- recommitted to the Committee on Mental Health in accordance with Assembly Rule 3, sec. 2 -- 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 providers of services for the developmentally disabled

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

Section 1. The mental hygiene law is amended by adding a new section 16.24 to read as follows:

3 <u>§ 16.24 Surveillance cameras.</u>

4 (a) Surveillance cameras with sound capability shall be installed in 5 all public common areas including, but not limited to, all common living 6 areas, dining areas, hallways, classrooms and time-out rooms in all 7 group homes, residential facilities, day schools and programs licensed, 8 certified, funded or operated by the office which provide services for 9 children or adults with mental or physical disabilities.

10 (b) Any provider that fails to implement the provisions of this 11 section may be subject to a fine of up to one thousand dollars per day 12 of noncompliances.

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

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^{13 § 2.} This act shall take effect one year after it shall have become a 14 law.