STATE OF NEW YORK

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IN ASSEMBLY

March 7, 2017

Introduced by M. of A. KEARNS -- read once and referred to the Committee on Mental Health

AN ACT to amend the mental hygiene law, in relation to prohibiting the collocation of certain facilities

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

Section 1. Subdivision (c) of section 7.17 of the mental hygiene law, as added by chapter 978 of the laws of 1977, is amended to read as follows:

(c) The commissioner shall establish the areas which each facility under his jurisdiction shall serve and the categories of patients which each such facility shall receive, retain, or treat**; provided, however, that the Western New York Children's Psychiatric Center shall be maintained in a county with a population between nine hundred thousand and one million people as a separate and distinct entity both organizationally and physically within the office and shall not be collocated or merged with any other facility**.

§ 2. This act shall take effect immediately.

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

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