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Introduced by Sens. PARKER, BAILEY, KENNEDY, PERSAUD -- read twice and ordered printed, and when printed to be committed to the Committee on Finance

AN ACT to amend the executive law, in relation to assisting state and local law enforcement agencies in establishing a registry to locate certain missing individuals

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

Section 1. Section 837 of the executive law is amended by adding a new 1 subdivision 22 to read as follows:

22. Promulgate, in consultation with the commissioner of the office for people with developmental disabilities, a standardized form that may be used by state and local law enforcement agencies as a voluntary registry to help locate persons diagnosed with autism spectrum disorders, Alzheimer's disease or other dementia, or who are otherwise unable 8 to communicate and who lose the ability to recognize familiar places or 9 faces. Such form may include identifying information on the missing 10 registrant such as physical features, medical conditions, whether the person is non-verbal, and names of family or friends to contact if the 12 person is located. Such form may also provide for a photograph of the 13 registrant to be submitted with the form.

§ 2. This act shall take effect on the ninetieth day after it shall 14 15 have become a law. Effective immediately the division of criminal justice services is authorized to take any and all actions necessary to 16 implement the provisions of this act on its effective date. 17

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

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