STATE OF NEW YORK

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2019-2020 Regular Sessions

IN SENATE

September 25, 2019

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

AN ACT to amend the mental hygiene law, in relation to authorizing the office of mental health and the office for people with developmental disabilities to provide transitional care for certain persons

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

Section 1. Paragraph 6 of subdivision (a) of section 7.37-a of the mental hygiene law is renumbered paragraph 7.

§ 2. Paragraph 5 of subdivision (a) of section 7.37-a of the mental hygiene law, as added by chapter 405 of the laws of 1998, is amended and a new paragraph 6 is added to read as follows:

5. whose residential needs can be met by the facility in which the persons resided prior to becoming age twenty-one or becoming ineligible for free educational services; [~~and~~]

6. who were disabled and in need of residential educational placement prior to becoming twenty-one years of age, provided that such person was abandoned and that such transitional care shall only be provided until residential educational placement is found for such person; and

§ 3. Paragraph 6 of subdivision (a) of section 13.37-a of the mental hygiene law is renumbered paragraph 7.

§ 4. Paragraph 5 of subdivision (a) of section 13.37-a of the mental hygiene law, as amended by chapter 106 of the laws of 2015, is amended and a new paragraph 6 is added to read as follows:

5. whose residential needs can be met by the facility in which the persons resided prior to becoming age twenty-one or becoming ineligible for free educational services; [~~and~~]

6. who were disabled and in need of residential educational placement prior to becoming twenty-one years of age, provided that such person was abandoned and that such transitional care shall only be provided until residential educational placement is found for such persons; and

§ 5. 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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