STATE OF NEW YORK

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IN ASSEMBLY

April 29, 2022

Introduced by M. of A. ZEBROWSKI -- read once and referred to the Committee on Education

AN ACT to amend the education law, in relation to authorizing school boards to include information regarding the installation of a panic alarm system in any school in the district in the district-wide safety plan

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

Section 1. Short title. This act shall be known and may be cited as "Alyssa's Law".

§ 2. Paragraph f of subdivision 2 of section 2801-a of the education law, as amended by section 1 of part B of chapter 54 of the laws of 2016, is amended to read as follows:

f. policies and procedures relating to school building security, including where appropriate the use of school safety officers and/or security devices or procedures**. District-wide school safety teams shall consider, as part of its reviews of the comprehensive district-wide safety plan, the installation of a panic alarm system. For purposes of this paragraph, "panic alarm system" shall mean a silent security system signal generated by the manual activation of a device intended to signal a life-threatening or emergency situation requiring a response from local law enforcement or, in the case of a school building located in a municipality in which there is no municipal police department, a location designated by the superintendent of state police and may include one or more of the following: wired panic button or buttons, wireless panic button or buttons or a mobile or computer application**;

§ 3. Paragraph d of subdivision 3 of section 2801-a of the education law, as amended by section 1 of part B of chapter 54 of the laws of 2016, is amended to read as follows:

d. establishment of internal and external communication systems in emergencies **which may include the installation of a panic alarm system**;

§ 4. This act shall take effect immediately. Effective immediately, the addition, amendment and/or repeal of any rule or regulation necessary for the implementation of this act on its effective date are authorized to be made and completed on or before such effective date.

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

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