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IN SENATE

January 31, 2021

Introduced by Sen. GRIFFO -- read twice and ordered printed, and when printed to be committed to the Committee on Health -- committee discharged, bill amended, ordered reprinted as amended and recommitted to said committee

AN ACT to amend the public health law, in relation to authorizing a nursing home patient to install, operate and maintain an electronic monitoring device or a connected device in his or her room

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

1 Section 1. Subdivision 3 of section 2803-c of the public health law is
2 amended by adding a new paragraph r to read as follows:

3 r. Pursuant to regulations promulgated by the commissioner, every
4 patient shall have the right, at his or her own expense, to install,
5 operate and maintain an electronic monitoring device or connected device
6 in his or her room. For the purposes of this section, the term "elec-
7 tronic monitoring device" shall mean a surveillance instrument with a
8 fixed position video camera or an audio recording device, or a combina-
9 tion thereof, which is installed in a patient's room and broadcasts or
10 records activity or sounds occurring in such room. For the purposes of
11 this section, the term "connected device" shall mean any device or other
12 physical object that is capable of directly or indirectly connecting to
13 the internet and that is assigned an internet protocol address or blue-
14 tooth address.

15 § 2. This act shall take effect on the ninetieth day after it shall
16 have become a law. Effective immediately, the addition, amendment
17 and/or repeal of any rule or regulation necessary for the implementation
18 of this act on its effective date are authorized to be made and
19 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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