AN ACT to amend the education law, in relation to prohibiting the use of
remote or virtual learning as a form of punishment or disciplinary
action

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

Section 1. Section 3214 of the education law is amended by adding a
new subdivision 3-b to read as follows:

3-b. Remote or virtual learning as a punishment prohibited. No board
of education, board of trustees or sole trustee, superintendent of
schools, district superintendent of schools, school principal, or teach-
er shall require a student to attend classes via remote or virtual
learning as a form of punishment or disciplinary action. Provided,
however, discipline requiring remote learning may be implemented for
failure to adhere to health and safety protocols, developed by state and
local governments, in response to the COVID-19 pandemic, including but
not limited to, protocols related to masks and social distancing. Any
such discipline shall be included in the school district's code of
conduct and also posted separately on such school district's website.

§ 2. This act shall take effect immediately.

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