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;

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