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

AN ACT to amend the education law, in relation to safe school or college campuses

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

Section 1. The education law is amended by adding a new section 6435-a to read as follows:

§ 6435-a. Safe campus intervention. 1. If a person alleged to be mentally ill is a student residing, or in attendance, at a school or college at the time that such person is observed exhibiting said mentally ill behavior, any teacher, administrator or student may report such behavior to the chief of safety and security, or other officer responsible for campus safety and security or a designee, and such personnel may exercise the authorized powers given to peace officers pursuant to section 9.41 of the mental hygiene law. In such instances, the institution shall, upon removal of said student alleged to be mentally ill, immediately notify the appropriate person or persons so listed to be notified in case of emergency involving alleged mental health illness intervention or treatment on the student's admission application or student records.

2. All schools and colleges shall inform and advise all students of this provision of law at the time of acceptance and entry to the institution.

§ 2. 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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