AN ACT to amend the mental hygiene law, in relation to requiring monthly status reports of community investments and the impact on inpatient census

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

Section 1. The mental hygiene law is amended by adding a new section 7.49 to read as follows:

§ 7.49 Monthly status reports.

(a) state operated psychiatric facility census;
(b) occurrence of census exceeding budgeted capacity and reason;
(c) occurrence of out of catchment area placements that are due to insufficient capacity in the catchment area of the hospital;
(d) admissions and discharges;
(e) rate of Medicaid psychiatric inpatient readmissions to any hospital within thirty days of discharge;
(f) Medicaid emergency room psychiatric visits;
(g) descriptions of new community service investments;
(h) average length of stay and number of long-term stay patients; and
(i) an explanation of any material census reductions, when known to the facility.

§ 2. This act shall take effect immediately.

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