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Introduced by M. of A. STERN, K. BROWN -- read once and referred to the Committee on Education

AN ACT to amend the education law, in relation to requiring schools report certain threats and acts of violence to the federal bureau of investigations, the state police, and the office of mental health

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

Section 1. Paragraphs a and b of subdivision 2 of section 2801-a of the education law, as amended by chapter 525 of the laws of 2019, are amended to read as follows:

a. policies and procedures for responding to implied or direct threats of violence by students, teachers, other school personnel including bus drivers and monitors, as well as visitors to the school, including threats by students against themselves, which for the purposes of this section shall include suicide**, including, but not limited to, reporting such implied or direct threats of violence to the federal bureau of investigations, the state police, and the office of mental health**;

b. policies and procedures for responding to acts of violence by students, teachers, other school personnel including bus drivers and monitors, as well as visitors to the school, including consideration of zero-tolerance policies for school violence**, including, but not limited to, reporting such acts of violence to the federal bureau of investigations, the state police, and the office of mental health**;

§ 2. This act shall take effect on the first of July next succeeding the date on which it shall have become a law. 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.

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

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