

# STATE OF NEW YORK

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2023-2024 Regular Sessions

## IN SENATE

January 11, 2023

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Introduced by Sen. SKOUFIS -- read twice and ordered printed, and when printed to be committed to the Committee on Rules

AN ACT in relation to requiring monthly status reports of community investments and the impact on inpatient census; and to repeal certain provisions of the mental hygiene law relating thereto

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

1 Section 1. Section 7.49 of the mental hygiene law, as added by a chap-  
2 ter of the laws of 2022, amending the mental hygiene law relating to  
3 requiring monthly status reports of community investments and the impact  
4 on inpatient census, as proposed in legislative bills numbers S. 4253  
5 and A. 6506, is REPEALED.

6 § 2. The commissioner of the office of mental health shall provide  
7 monthly status reports of the community investments and the impact on  
8 inpatient census to the chair of the senate finance committee and the  
9 chair of the assembly ways and means committee and shall post such  
10 reports on the office of mental health's publicly accessible website.  
11 Such reports shall include, but not be limited to:

12 (a) state operated psychiatric facility census;  
13 (b) occurrence of census exceeding budgeted capacity;  
14 (c) occurrence of out of catchment area placements;  
15 (d) admissions and discharges;  
16 (e) rate of Medicaid psychiatric inpatient readmissions to any hospi-  
17 tal within thirty days of discharge;  
18 (f) Medicaid emergency room psychiatric visits;  
19 (g) descriptions of new community service investments;  
20 (h) average length of stay and number of long-term stay patients; and  
21 (i) an explanation of any material census reductions, when known to  
22 the facility.

23 § 3. This act shall take effect on the same date and in the same  
24 manner as a chapter of the laws of 2022, amending the mental hygiene law

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

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1 relating to requiring monthly status reports of community investments  
2 and the impact on inpatient census, as proposed in legislative bills  
3 numbers S. 4253 and A. 6506, takes effect; provided, however, that  
4 section two of this act shall take effect on the one hundred eightieth  
5 day after it shall have become a law.