STATE OF NEW YORK

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IN SENATE

February 5, 2024

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

AN ACT to amend the executive law, in relation to the protection of vulnerable persons who receive recovery support services

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

Section 1. Subdivision 2 of section 551 of the executive law, as added by section 3 of part A of chapter 501 of the laws of 2012, is amended to read as follows:

2. The executive director shall recommend policies and procedures to the state oversight agency for the protection of vulnerable persons, including but not limited to policies and procedures: (a) for the protection of vulnerable persons who reside in or receive services from facilities or provider agencies as set forth in subdivision four of section four hundred eighty-eight of the social services law**, or recovery support services**; (b) relating to assuring, on behalf of the state, that vulnerable persons are afforded care that is of a uniformly high standard; (c) relating to assuring, on behalf of the state, that vulnerable persons are afforded the opportunity to exercise all of the rights and responsibilities accorded to residents of the state; and (d) to harmonize and improve the procedures for and quality of investigations of reportable incidents involving vulnerable persons within the different systems of care in the state.

§ 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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