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## IN SENATE

March 7, 2024

Introduced by Sen. PALUMBO -- read twice and ordered printed, and when printed to be committed to the Committee on Mental Health

AN ACT to amend the mental hygiene law, in relation to authorizing a member of the community or a community ambassador to apply for involuntary admission of a person alleged to be mentally ill

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

- Section 1. This act shall be known and may be cited as "Tony's law".
- 2 § 2. Subparagraph (b) of section 9.27 of the mental hygiene law is 3 amended by adding a new paragraph 12 to read as follows:
- 4 <u>12. a member of the community in which the person dwells or resides</u>
  5 <u>who is over the age of eighteen, or a community ambassador in counties</u>
- 6 or localities that have an established community ambassador program.
- 7 § 3. 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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