STATE OF NEW YORK

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2025-2026 Regular Sessions

IN SENATE

January 9, 2025

Introduced by Sens. SERRANO, WEBB -- 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 prohibiting certain suicide prevention and mental health services hotlines from being automated

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

Section 1. Section 7.09 of the mental hygiene law is amended by adding a new subdivision (n) to read as follows:

(n) The commissioner shall promulgate rules and regulations prohibiting any suicide prevention or mental health services hotline operated or sponsored by the state from being automated.

§ 2. This act shall take effect on the thirtieth day after 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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