STATE OF NEW YORK

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IN SENATE

March 24, 2026

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

AN ACT to amend the public health law, in relation to the identification of individuals who provide face-to-face care to or direct observation of a patient; and to amend the criminal procedure law, in relation to requiring complainants to only submit their employer's address in cases involving an alleged offense against a hospital worker

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

Section 1. Subparagraph (v) of paragraph (g) of subdivision 1 of section 2803 of the public health law, as amended by chapter 618 of the laws of 2022, is amended to read as follows:

(v) a right to be informed of the name, position, and functions of any persons, including medical students and physicians exempt from New York state licensure pursuant to section sixty-five hundred twenty-six of the education law, who provide face-to-face care to or direct observation of the patient**, except that a hospital may limit the identification of an individual, including in medical records provided to the patient at any time, to their employee identification number, first name and first initial of last name when full name identification may place the personal safety of such individual in jeopardy**;

§ 2. Subdivision 1 of section 100.15 of the criminal procedure law is amended to read as follows:

1. An information, a misdemeanor complaint and a felony complaint must each specify the name of the court with which it is filed and the title of the action, and must be subscribed and verified by a person known as the "complainant." The complainant may be any person having knowledge, whether personal or upon information and belief, of the commission of the offense or offenses charged. Each instrument must contain an accusatory part and a factual part. The complainant's verification of the instrument is deemed to apply only to the factual part thereof and not to the accusatory part. **Notwithstanding any provision of law to the contrary, in the case of an alleged offense against any person who provides face-to-face care to or direct observa-**

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

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tion of a patient in a hospital, as defined in subdivision one of section two thousand eight hundred one of the public health law, the complainant may submit the address of such hospital in the instrument and shall not be required to include their personal address or any other identifying information.

§ 3. This act shall take effect on the one hundred twentieth day after it shall have become a law.