## PROTECT VICTIMS OF CRIME & THOSE SUFFERING FROM SEVERE MENTAL ILLNESS

Support the Governor Hochul's FY2026 Budget by voting for:

• Changing Discovery Laws to protect the rights of victims who have their cases dismissed and lose their order of protection for technicalities.

All Five New York City District Attorney's Support changes to discovery laws.

- Offering comprehensive compassionate care for those experiencing severe mental health crisis.
  - Clarify the involuntary removal standard.
  - Address staffing shortages by allowing psychiatric nurse practitioners to aid clinicians.
  - Develop more housing of all kinds (affordable, supportive, and market rate)
  - Increase interagency collaboration.
  - o Increase opportunities for treatment in communities.

A recent poll by the Association for a Better New York found that <u>91% of New Yorkers</u> believe it more compassionate to compel treatment and care for people with severe mental illness than it is to abandon them on streets.

**<u>CLICK HERE</u>** for the summary memo.

A public opinion study of NYC's political landscape and key issues found that <u>89% of</u> <u>those surveyed</u> supported getting treatment for severely mentally ill people on the streets and in the subways even if it is against their will.

**<u>CLICK HERE</u>** for more information.