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Senator Gallivan Pressures Assembly Majority To Pass Laura Cummings' Law

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In January of last year, Laura Cummings, a developmentally disabled young woman from North Collins, was tragically murdered by her mother. Subsequent information revealed that Laura had been sexually and physically abused by her mother and brother for years. Had New York State Child and Adult Protective Services been given the proper legal tools to conduct an appropriate investigation after several reports of abuse in the Cummings' home, Laura's death could have been prevented. Today I joined my colleagues from Western New

York to demand the Assembly take action on this critical measure.