

# STATE OF NEW YORK

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## IN ASSEMBLY

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Introduced by M. of A. CURRAN -- read once and referred to the Committee on Judiciary

AN ACT to amend the civil rights law, in relation to establishing private right of action for unwarranted surveillance of a neighbor

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

1 Section 1. The civil rights law is amended by adding a new section  
2 52-a to read as follows:

3 § 52-a. Private right of action for unwarranted surveillance of a  
4 neighbor. Any owner or tenant of residential real property shall have a  
5 private right of action for damages against any person who installs any  
6 fixed mounted camera or drone pointed in a neighbor's yard or in a  
7 neighbor's window or windows without written consent of the surveilled  
8 neighbor. The provisions of this section shall not apply to any law  
9 enforcement personnel engaged in the conduct of their authorized duties.

10 § 2. This act shall take effect on the thirtieth day after it shall  
11 have become a law, and shall apply to acts occurring on or after such  
12 date.

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

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