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Introduced by M. of A. VANEL -- read once and referred to the Committee on Consumer Affairs and Protection

AN ACT to amend the general business law, in relation to online marketplace verification

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

1 Section 1. The general business law is amended by adding a new section
2 396-ddd to read as follows:

3 § 396-ddd. Online marketplace verification. 1. An online marketplace
4 shall require every person engaged in a transaction on its marketplace
5 website, application or software, to verify their identity with the
6 online marketplace. For the purposes of this section, "online market-
7 place" shall mean any website, application or software connected to the
8 internet which, in the regular course of business, allows members of the
9 public to buy and sell goods and services.

10 2. The verification required by subdivision one of this section shall
11 be conducted through a method reasonably designed to identify the true
12 identity of a person.

13 3. An online marketplace shall be liable for a civil penalty of five
14 hundred dollars per sale made between any parties which is made in
15 violation of this section.

16 § 2. This act shall take effect on the ninetieth day after it shall
17 have become a law.

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

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