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IN SENATE

January 17, 2025

Introduced by Sen. FERNANDEZ -- read twice and ordered printed, and when printed to be committed to the Committee on Codes

AN ACT to amend the civil rights law, in relation to the right to breast feed

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

Section 1. Section 79-e of the civil rights law, as added by chapter 98 of the laws of 1994, is amended to read as follows:

§ 79-e. Right to breast feed. Notwithstanding any other provision of law, a [~~mother~~] **person** may breast feed [~~her~~] **their** baby in any location, public or private, where the [~~mother~~] **person** is otherwise authorized to be, irrespective of whether or not the nipple of the [~~mother's~~] **person's** breast is covered during or incidental to the breast feeding.

§ 2. This act shall take effect immediately.

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

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