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AN ACT to amend the general business law, in relation to access to public restrooms

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK, REPRESENTED IN SENATE AND ASSEMBLY, DO ENACT AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. The general business law is amended by adding a new section 399-ff to read as follows:

S 399-FF. PUBLIC RESTROOM ACCESS. 1. NO PERSON, FIRM, PARTNERSHIP, ASSOCIATION, LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY, CORPORATION OR OTHER BUSINESS ENTITY THAT OFFERS ACCESS TO RESTROOM FACILITIES TO THE PUBLIC SHALL REQUIRE, AS A CONDITION FOR SUCH ACCESS, THAT SUCH PERSON BE A PAYING CUSTOMER OF SUCH BUSINESS.

2. A VIOLATION OF THE PROVISIONS OF THIS SECTION SHALL BE PUNISHABLE BY A CIVIL PENALTY NOT TO EXCEED FIVE HUNDRED DOLLARS FOR EACH VIOLATION.

S 2. This act shall take effect on the thirtieth day after it shall have become a law.

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

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