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Introduced by M. of A. P. RIVERA, J. RIVERA -- Multi-Sponsored by -- M. of A. GALEF -- read once and referred to the Committee on Election Law

AN ACT to amend the election law, in relation to the furnishing of gratuities immediately prior to an election

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

Section 1. The election law is amended by adding a new section 17-138 to read as follows:

S 17-138. FURNISHING GRATUITIES PRIOR TO AN ELECTION. 1. NO PERSON, CANDIDATE, POLITICAL PARTY OR COMMITTEE ACTING ON BEHALF OF ANY CAMPAIGN FOR ELECTION TO ANY PUBLIC OFFICE OR PARTY POSITION SHALL, WITHIN TWENTY-FOUR HOURS PRIOR TO THE OPENING OF THE POLLS FOR THE ELECTION TO SUCH PUBLIC OFFICE OR PARTY POSITION, GIVE, OFFER TO GIVE OR PROMISE TO GIVE ANY THING OF VALUE TO ANOTHER PERSON.

2. THE PROVISIONS OF SUBDIVISION ONE OF THIS SECTION SHALL NOT APPLY TO THE DISTRIBUTION OF PAMPHLETS, CIRCULARS, FLYERS, BROCHURES, LETTERHEADS OR OTHER PRINTED MATERIAL ON BEHALF OF ANY CANDIDATE.

3. ANY PERSON WHO VIOLATES THE PROVISIONS OF SUBDIVISION ONE OF THIS SECTION SHALL BE GUILTY OF A CLASS A MISDEMEANOR.

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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