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IN ASSEMBLY

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- Introduced by M. of A. CRESPO -- read once and referred to the Committee on Judiciary
- AN ACT to amend the general obligations law, in relation to compensation for injury caused by the illegal sale of alcoholic beverages to a person under the age of twenty-one years

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

1 Section 1. Subdivision 1 of section 11-100 of the general obligations 2 law, as amended by chapter 274 of the laws of 1985, is amended to read 3 as follows:

4 1. Any person who shall be injured in person, property, means of 5 support or otherwise, by reason of the intoxication or impairment of 6 ability of any person under the age of twenty-one years, whether result-7 ing in his OR HER death or not, shall have a right of action to recover 8 actual damages against:

9 (A) any person who knowingly causes such intoxication or impairment of 10 ability by unlawfully furnishing to or unlawfully assisting in procuring 11 alcoholic beverages for such INTOXICATED OR IMPAIRED person with know-12 ledge or reasonable cause to believe that such person was under the age 13 of twenty-one years[.]; OR

(B) ANY PERSON OR ENTITY THAT DISTRIBUTES OR MANUFACTURES 14 MORE THAN 15 TEN FALSE IDENTIFICATION CARDS OR OTHER FORGED INSTRUMENTS, AS SUCH TERM IN SECTION 170.00 OF THE PENAL LAW, WHICH MISREPRESENTS THE 16 DEFINED IS AGE AND/OR IDENTITY OF ANY PERSON, AND KNOWINGLY SELLS 17 SUCH CARDS OR 18 INSTRUMENTS TO A PERSON UNDER THE AGE OF TWENTY-ONE YEARS, AND WHICH ARE 19 TO UNLAWFULLY PROCURE ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES THAT CAUSE OR CONTRIBUTE USED 20 TO SUCH OTHER PERSON'S INTOXICATION OR IMPAIRMENT OF ABILITY. ACTUAL 21 SPECIFIC PROCUREMENT OF THE ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES THAT KNOWLEDGE OF THE 22 CAUSE OR CONTRIBUTE TO THE INTOXICATION OR IMPAIRMENT SHALL NOT BE 23 NECESSARY.

- 24 S 2. Section 11-100 of the general obligations law is amended by 25 adding a new subdivision 1-a to read as follows:
- 26 1-A. IN ANY ACTION COMMENCED PURSUANT TO PARAGRAPH (B) OF SUBDIVISION 27 ONE OF THIS SECTION, IT SHALL BE AN AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE THAT THE PERSON

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

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1 OR ENTITY PROVIDING AN IDENTIFICATION CARD OR INSTRUMENT STATING THAT A 2 MINOR IS TWENTY-ONE YEARS OF AGE OR OLDER SOLD OR PROVIDED SUCH IDEN-3 TIFICATION CARD OR INSTRUMENT IN RELIANCE UPON A PHOTOGRAPHIC IDENTIFI-4 CATION CARD APPARENTLY ISSUED BY A GOVERNMENTAL ENTITY, WHICH STATED 5 THAT THE RECIPIENT WAS TWENTY-ONE YEARS OF AGE OR OLDER AND WHICH WAS 6 SUBJECT TO A TRANSACTION SCAN PURSUANT TO SECTION SIXTY-FIVE-B OF THE 7 ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGE CONTROL LAW.

8 S 3. This act shall take effect on the first of January next succeed-9 ing the date on which it shall have become a law.