AN ACT to amend the general business law, in relation to internet service provider privacy requirements

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 390-d to read as follows:

§ 390-d. Internet service provider privacy requirements. 1. As used in this section "internet service provider" means any person, business or organization qualified to do business in this state that provides individuals, corporations, or other entities with the ability to connect to the internet through equipment that is located in this state.

2. All internet service providers offering services to New York state customers shall keep all customer information confidential unless written consent is provided by the customer.

3. An internet service provider found to be in violation of this section shall be subject to a fine of five hundred dollars for each offense.

$ 2. This act shall take effect immediately.

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