## STATE OF NEW YORK

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## IN ASSEMBLY

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Introduced by M. of A. ROSENTHAL -- read once and referred to the Committee on Economic Development

AN ACT to amend the general business law, in relation to cash registers

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-k to read as follows:

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§ 399-k. Cash registers. 1. Any cash register used by or in the opera-4 tion of a business which customarily deals with consumers, other than a 5 hotel, motel, retail licensed premises for the on-premises consumption 6 of alcoholic beverages or restaurant where a printed and itemized check is provided for the customer's perusal before payment, shall visually display the amount of any sale in a manner readily visible to such consumer.

2. Whenever there shall be a violation of this section, an application 11 may be made by the attorney general in the name of the people of the 12 state of New York to a court or justice having jurisdiction by a special 13 proceeding to issue an injunction, and upon notice to the respondent of 14 not less than five days, to enjoin and restrain the continuance of such 15 violations; and if it shall appear to the satisfaction of the court or justice that the respondent has, in fact, violated this section, an 17 injunction may be issued by such court or justice, enjoining and 18 restraining any further violation, without requiring proof that any person has, in fact, been injured or damaged thereby. Whenever the court shall determine that a violation of this section has occurred, the court 20 21 may impose a civil penalty of not more than five hundred dollars for 22 <u>each violation. In connection with any such application, the attorney</u> 23 general is authorized to take proof and make a determination of the relevant facts and to issue subpoenas in accordance with the civil prac-24 25 <u>tice law and rules.</u>

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

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1 § 2. This act shall take effect on the one hundred eightieth day after 2 it shall have become a law and shall apply to all cash registers 3 installed on or after such date; provided, however that all existing 4 cash registers in violation of subdivision 1 of section 399-k of the 5 general business law as added by section one of this act shall be 6 replaced within five years from when this act shall have become a law.