

# STATE OF NEW YORK

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## IN ASSEMBLY

April 23, 2019

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Introduced by M. of A. DILAN, TITUS -- (at request of the Division of Human Rights) -- read once and referred to the Committee on Governmental Operations

AN ACT to amend the executive law, in relation to clarifying that reasonable accommodation to enable a person with a disability to use and enjoy a dwelling includes the use of an animal to alleviate the symptoms or effects of a disability

The People of the State of New York, represented in Senate and Assembly, do enact as follows:

1 Section 1. Subparagraph 2 of paragraph (d) of subdivision 2-a of  
2 section 296 of the executive law, as amended by chapter 196 of the laws  
3 of 2010, is amended to read as follows:

4 (2) To refuse to make reasonable accommodations in rules, policies,  
5 practices, or services, when such accommodations may be necessary to  
6 afford a person with a disability equal opportunity to use and enjoy a  
7 dwelling, including the use of an animal as a reasonable accommodation  
8 to alleviate symptoms or effects of a disability, and including reason-  
9 able modification to common use portions of the dwelling, or

10 § 2. Paragraph 2 of subdivision 18 of section 296 of the executive  
11 law, as amended by chapter 196 of the laws of 2010, is amended to read  
12 as follows:

13 (2) To refuse to make reasonable accommodations in rules, policies,  
14 practices, or services, when such accommodations may be necessary to  
15 afford said person with a disability equal opportunity to use and enjoy  
16 a dwelling, including the use of an animal as a reasonable accommodation  
17 to alleviate symptoms or effects of a disability, and including reason-  
18 able modification to common use portions of the dwelling, or

19 § 3. This act shall take effect immediately.

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

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