STATE OF NEW YORK

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IN ASSEMBLY

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Introduced by M. of A. SIMOTAS, REYES, QUART, LAVINE, BRONSON, GOTTFRIED, GLICK, SEAWRIGHT, DINOWITZ -- read once and referred to the Committee on Judiciary -- recommitted to the Committee on Judiciary in accordance with Assembly Rule 3, sec. 2 -- committee discharged, bill amended, ordered reprinted as amended and recommitted to said committee

AN ACT to amend the domestic relations law, in relation to the custody of children

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

Section 1. Subdivision 1 of section 240 of the domestic relations law is amended by adding a new paragraph (k) to read as follows:

(k) In determining the best interests of the child, the court shall not: (1) consider the sex, sexual orientation, gender identity or gender expression of the parties; or

(2) prohibit a party from undergoing gender reassignment.

§ 2. 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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