

STATE OF NEW YORK

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IN SENATE

May 8, 2020

Introduced by Sen. BIAGGI -- read twice and ordered printed, and when printed to be committed to the Committee on Investigations and Government Operations

AN ACT to amend the public buildings law, in relation to prohibiting the state of New York from selling or displaying symbols of hate

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

- 1 Section 1. The public buildings law is amended by adding a new section
2 146 to read as follows:
3 § 146. Prohibit symbols of hate. 1. The state of New York shall not
4 sell or display any symbol of hate or any similar image, or tangible
5 personal property, inscribed with such an image unless the image appears
6 in a book, digital medium, or state museum that serves an educational
7 or historical purpose.
8 2. For the purposes of this section, the term "symbol of hate" shall
9 be symbols of white supremacist and neo-Nazi ideology, including but
10 not limited to the Battle Flag of the Confederacy, also referred to as
11 the Stars and Bars.
12 § 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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