

# STATE OF NEW YORK

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## IN SENATE

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Introduced by Sen. COONEY -- read twice and ordered printed, and when printed to be committed to the Committee on Rules

AN ACT to amend the cannabis law, in relation to including gender equality in the social and economic equity plan of the New York state cannabis control board

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

- 1 Section 1. Paragraphs (e) and (f) of subdivision 2 of section 87 of  
2 the cannabis law are amended and a new paragraph (g) is added to read as  
3 follows:  
4 (e) distressed farmers, as defined in subdivision five of this  
5 section; [~~and~~]  
6 (f) service-disabled veterans[~~-~~]; and  
7 (g) transgender and gender-nonbinary individuals.  
8 § 2. Subdivision 5 of section 87 of the cannabis law is amended by  
9 adding a new paragraph (h) to read as follows:  
10 (h) "Transgender and gender-nonbinary individuals" shall mean any  
11 person who has a gender identity or expression different from the sex  
12 assigned to that individual at birth.  
13 § 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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