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Introduced by M. of A. SIMON, COOK, HYNDMAN -- Multi-Sponsored by -- M. of A. BICHOTTE HERMELYN, GOTTFRIED, REYES -- read once and referred to the Committee on Judiciary

AN ACT to amend the judiciary law, in relation to establishing status as a New York state citizen or possession of a federal immigration card shall constitute no cause for refusing any person examination or admission to practice law

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

Section 1. Section 460 of the judiciary law, as amended by chapter 226 of the laws of 1985, is amended to read as follows:

§ 460. Examination and admission of attorneys. An applicant for admission to practice as an attorney or counsellor in this state, must be examined and licensed to practice as prescribed in this chapter and in the rules of the court of appeals. Race, creed, color, national origin, alienage**, status as a New York state citizen or federal immigration card holder,** or sex shall constitute no cause for refusing any person examination or admission to practice.

§ 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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