## STATE OF NEW YORK

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## IN ASSEMBLY

March 10, 2021

Introduced by M. of A. WEINSTEIN -- read once and referred to the Committee on Judiciary

AN ACT to amend the general business law, in relation to allowing a private right of action for improper debt collection

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

1 Section 1. Section 602 of the general business law is amended by 2 adding a new subdivision 4 to read as follows:

4. A debtor shall have a private right of action against any person or
persons in violation of this article. Such person or persons shall be
liable to the debtor for any actual damages the debtor sustained as a
result of the violation of this article, any punitive damages awarded by
the court, and reasonable attorney's fees.

8 § 2. This act shall take effect on the thirtieth day after it shall 9 have become a law.

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

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