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## IN SENATE

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

AN ACT to amend the general construction law, in relation to allowing for online publication of public notices

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

1 Section 1. The general construction law is amended by adding a new  
2 section 40-a to read as follows:

3 § 40-a. Public notices and publications. 1. Subject to the provisions  
4 of subdivision two of this section and notwithstanding any provision of  
5 law to the contrary, in any case in which notice of any fact is required  
6 by law to be published or advertised in a newspaper, in addition such  
7 requirement shall be satisfied by publication of the notice in an online  
8 news publication that:

9 a. provides general interest news on a daily basis to a defined  
10 geographic location; and

11 b. has been continuously published for at least one year prior to the  
12 date of publication of the notice.

13 2. Any publication made pursuant to the terms of this section shall be  
14 subject to all requirements and stipulations of publication imposed by  
15 law or by order of a court of competent jurisdiction with regard to the  
16 notice with the exception of a requirement that the notice be published  
17 in a newspaper.

18 § 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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