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## IN SENATE

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

AN ACT to amend the penal law, in relation to the definition of person

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

1 Section 1. The closing paragraph of section 125.05 of the penal law,  
2 as amended by chapter 1 of the laws of 2019, is amended to read as  
3 follows:

4 "Person," when referring to the victim of a homicide, means a human  
5 being who has been born and is alive. This provision shall be known as  
6 "Mya's law".

7 § 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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