STATE OF NEW YORK

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2023-2024 Regular Sessions

IN SENATE

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Introduced by Sen. MAYER -- read twice and ordered printed, and when printed to be committed to the Committee on Investigations and Government Operations -- committee discharged, bill amended, ordered reprinted as amended and recommitted to said committee

AN ACT to amend the executive law, in relation to clarifying the standard for disparate treatment claims

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

Section 1. Section 292 of the executive law is amended by adding a new subdivision 42 to read as follows:

3 <u>42. The terms "because of", "because", and "by reason of" in disparate</u> 4 <u>treatment cases, including retaliation cases, mean the unlawful motive</u> 5 <u>was a motivating factor. Nothing in this definition is intended to</u> 6 <u>preclude or limit use of the disparate impact method of proving liabil-</u>

7 <u>ity.</u>

8 § 2. This act shall take effect immediately.

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

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