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# IN ASSEMBLY

**(Prefiled)**

January 8, 2025

Introduced by M. of A. VANEL -- read once and referred to the Committee on Consumer Affairs and Protection

AN ACT to amend the general business law, in relation to prohibiting domain front running

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

Section 1. Section 147 of the general business law is amended by adding a new subdivision 4 to read as follows:

**4. "Non-public information" shall mean information that is not readily accessible by the public or information that is made available to members of the public upon payment of a fee.**

§ 2. The general business law is amended by adding a new section 148-a to read as follows:

**§ 148-a. Domain front running prohibited. 1. No person or entity shall register, reserve, or otherwise acquire a domain name based on knowledge acquired through non-public information of a third party's interest in that domain name.**

**2. A person or entity shall be only liable for a violation of subdivision one of this section if such person or entity is the domain name registrant or such registrant's authorized licensee.**

§ 3. 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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