STATE OF NEW YORK

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IN SENATE

February 25, 2026

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

AN ACT to amend the civil practice law and rules, in relation to prohibiting undisclosed recording of mediation and court-annexed alternative dispute resolution proceedings

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

Section 1. Section 4506 of the civil practice law and rules is amended by adding a new subdivision 2-a to read as follows:

2-a. (a) Notwithstanding any inconsistent provisions of this section and article two hundred fifty of the penal law, no party to any court-annexed alternative dispute resolution proceeding or conference or mediation may make an audio and/or visual recording of such proceeding, without the express consent of all parties to the proceeding and the mediator.

(b) No recording made in violation of this subdivision shall be admissible in any judicial, administrative, or arbitral proceeding.

(c) Any violation of this subdivision shall be deemed contempt of court and shall be subject to fines or other sanction as the court may direct.

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

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

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