STATE OF NEW YORK

11548

IN ASSEMBLY

June 1, 2026

Introduced by COMMITTEE ON RULES -- (at request of M. of A. Otis) -- read once and referred to the Committee on Election Law

AN ACT to amend the election law, in relation to actions that may be sought in cases of voter intimidation, deception, or obstruction

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

Section 1. Subdivision 3 of section 17-212 of the election law, as added by chapter 226 of the laws of 2022, is amended to read as follows:

3. Remedies. Upon a finding of a violation of any provision of this section, the court shall implement appropriate remedies that are tailored to remedy the violation, including but not limited to providing for additional time to cast a ballot that may be counted in the election at issue. **Actions sought pursuant to this section may include immediate injunctive relief, restraining orders, or cease and desist orders to prevent irreparable harm to the ability of voters to cast ballots on days when voting is held.** Any party who shall violate any of the provisions of the foregoing section or who shall aid the violation of any of said provisions shall be liable to any prevailing plaintiff party for damages, including nominal damages for any violation, and compensatory or punitive damages for any intentional violation.

§ 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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