

STATE OF NEW YORK

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IN ASSEMBLY

June 5, 2026

Introduced by COMMITTEE ON RULES -- (at request of M. of A. Forrest) --
read once and referred to the Committee on Governmental Operations

AN ACT to amend the civil rights law, in relation to the right to breast
feed

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

- 1 Section 1. Section 79-e of the civil rights law, as added by chapter
- 2 98 of the laws of 1994, is amended to read as follows:
- 3 § 79-e. Right to breast feed. Notwithstanding any other provision of
- 4 law, a [~~mother~~] person may breast feed [~~her~~] their baby in any location,
- 5 public or private, where the [~~mother~~] person is otherwise authorized to
- 6 be, irrespective of whether or not the nipple of the [~~mother's~~] person's
- 7 breast is covered during or incidental to the breast feeding.
- 8 § 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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