

STATE OF NEW YORK

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2025-2026 Regular Sessions

IN ASSEMBLY

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Introduced by M. of A. O'PHARROW -- read once and referred to the
Committee on Judiciary

AN ACT to amend the general obligations law, in relation to requiring
mercantile establishments to cease collections upon a court finding of
not guilty of larceny in mercantile establishments

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

1 Section 1. Section 11-105 of the general obligations law is amended by
2 adding a new subdivision 13 to read as follows:

3 13. Cessation of collections upon finding of not guilty. An adult,
4 emancipated minor, or the parents or legal guardians of an unemancipated
5 minor who is found not guilty in any proceeding brought under this
6 section shall not be civilly liable to the operator of the mercantile
7 establishment bringing the proceeding and any attempts to collect money
8 or recover merchandise from the adult, emancipated minor, or the parents
9 or legal guardians of an unemancipated minor shall immediately cease.

10 § 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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