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IN SENATE

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AN ACT to amend the education law, in relation to prohibiting libraries and library systems from banning books or other materials based on partisan or doctrinal disapproval

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

1 Section 1. The education law is amended by adding a new section 286 to
2 read as follows:

3 § 286. Prohibition on book banning. No library, or library system
4 established or operating under this article, including school libraries
5 and school library systems, shall proscribe, ban, or remove any books or
6 other materials because of partisan or doctrinal disapproval.

7 § 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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