

STATE OF NEW YORK

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IN SENATE

March 31, 2026

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

AN ACT to amend the election law, in relation to the use of campaign funds to pay any settlement fees, fines or penalties for sexual harassment civil or criminal actions

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

1 Section 1. Paragraphs (x) and (xi) of subdivision 3 of section 14-130
2 of the election law, paragraph (x) as amended and paragraph (xi) as
3 added by chapter 136 of the laws of 2019, are amended and a new para-
4 graph (xii) is added to read as follows:

5 (x) travel expenses including automobile purchases or leases, unless
6 used for campaign purposes or in connection with the execution of the
7 duties of public office or party position and usage of such vehicle
8 which is incidental to such purposes or the execution of such duties;
9 [~~and~~]

10 (xi) childcare expenses, other than expenses incurred in the campaign
11 or in the execution of the duties of public office or party position[~~-~~];
12 and

13 (xii) payment of any settlement fees, fines or penalties assessed
14 against the candidate in connection with a criminal or civil action,
15 investigation, or prosecution involving allegations of sexual harass-
16 ment.

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

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

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