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Introduced by M. of A. ROSENTHAL -- read once and referred to the Committee on Consumer Affairs and Protection -- reported and referred to the Committee on Codes -- committee discharged, bill amended, ordered reprinted as amended and recommitted to said committee

AN ACT to amend the general business law, in relation to selling and manufacturing of fur-bearing articles of clothing

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK, REPRESENTED IN SENATE AND ASSEMBLY, DO ENACT AS FOLLOWS:

- Section 1. The general business law is amended by adding a new section 2 399-aaa to read as follows:
- 3 S 399-AAA. SELLING AND MANUFACTURING OF FUR-BEARING ARTICLES OF CLOTH-
- 4 ING. 1. FOR THE PURPOSES OF THIS SECTION THE FOLLOWING TERMS SHALL HAVE
- 5 THE FOLLOWING MEANINGS:
- 6 (A) "FAUX FUR" SHALL MEAN ARTIFICIALLY MANUFACTURED FUR WHICH IS MADE 7 TO RESEMBLE REAL FUR BUT WHICH IS NOT DERIVED FROM ANIMALS.
- 8 (B) "REAL FUR" SHALL MEAN ANIMAL SKIN OR PART THEREOF WITH HAIR
- 9 FLEECE, OR FUR FIBERS ATTACHED THERETO, EITHER IN ITS RAW OR PROCESSED
- 10 STATE.
- 11 2. IT SHALL BE UNLAWFUL FOR ANY PERSON, FIRM, PARTNERSHIP OR CORPO-
- 12 RATION TO KNOWINGLY IMPORT FOR PROFIT, SELL AT RETAIL, OFFER FOR SALE AT
- 13 RETAIL, OR MANUFACTURE ARTICLES OF CLOTHING WHICH INCLUDE, OR HAVE
- 14 ATTACHED IN ANY QUANTITY AND OF ANY VALUE, FUR THAT IS NOT LABELED AS
- 15 BEING "FAUX FUR" OR "REAL FUR", OR IS INCORRECTLY LABELED.

- 16 3. LABELING OF ARTICLES OF CLOTHING PURSUANT TO THIS SECTION MAY BE
- 17 ACCOMPLISHED BY ADDING "FAUX FUR" OR "REAL FUR" TO THE PERMANENT TAG
- 18 ATTACHED TO THE CLOTHING, TO THE TEMPORARY TAG USED BY THE MERCHANT TO
- 19 IDENTIFY THE MERCHANDISE, OR BY AFFIXING, IN A CONSPICUOUS PLACE,
- 20 STICKER STATING "FAUX FUR" OR "REAL FUR" TO THE ARTICLE OF CLOTHING
- 21 ITSELF.
- 22 ARTICLES OF CLOTHING CONTAINING OR HAVING ATTACHED ANY QUANTITY OR
- 23 VALUE OF "REAL FUR" SHALL HAVE CERTAIN DISCLOSURES ON THE LABEL REQUIRED

EXPLANATION--Matter in ITALICS (underscored) is new; matter in brackets { } is old law to be omitted.

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- 1 IN THIS SECTION SO AS NOT TO BE CONSIDERED MISBRANDED UNDER 15 U.S.C.
- 2 69B.
- 3 4. A VIOLATION OF THIS SECTION SHALL BE PUNISHABLE BY A FINE OF NOT
- 4 MORE THAN FIVE HUNDRED DOLLARS FOR THE FIRST VIOLATION AND NOT MORE THAN
- 5 ONE THOUSAND DOLLARS FOR EACH SUBSEQUENT VIOLATION.
- 6 S 2. This act shall take effect on the ninetieth day after it shall
- 7 have become a law.

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