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## State Senator Brad Hoylman Hails Court Ruling Upholding New Jersey Ban on So-Called “Conversion Therapy” for Minors

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The U.S. Court of Appeals for the Third Circuit issued a ruling today upholding New Jersey's law prohibiting licensed therapists from attempting to change the sexual orientation or gender expression of patients under 18 years old. Senator Brad Hoylman who carries similar legislation in New York, released the following statement:

“The Third Circuit is the second federal appeals court to uphold a ban on so-called 'conversion therapy' for minors, joining the Ninth Circuit. Today's ruling further underscores New York's obligation to follow California and New Jersey's bipartisan lead and outlaw the dangerous, discredited practice on young people. Just this week we were reminded that conversion therapy is being practiced in New York when the Brooklyn-based Jewish Press featured an advertisement from a well known conversion therapy provider.

I call upon the leadership of the New York State Legislature to make passage of the legislation I carry with Assembly Member Deborah Glick a top priority when we reconvene in Albany this January.”

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