



NEW YORK STATE SENATOR

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## Serrano Bill Supporting Historic & Longstanding Businesses Now Law

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(Albany, NY) - Today Governor Andrew M. Cuomo signed into law Serrano bill S7274B, which establishes a historic business preservation registry within the Office of Parks, Recreation and Historic Preservation for historic businesses that have operated for at least fifty years and that have contributed to the history of their communities. In addition, businesses on the registry would be provided with educational and promotional assistance to ensure their continued viability and success.

“New York’s longstanding businesses are woven into the fabric of our communities and have shaped our city’s heritage and history,” said Senator Serrano. “Rising costs and the impact of the COVID-19 pandemic mean many of these historic businesses are struggling to stay open. The new law will provide promotional and educational assistance to help them endure and adapt as we recover from the current health crisis.”

The bill was sponsored in the New York State Assembly by Assembly Member Daniel J. O'Donnell. The law will go into effect in 180 days.