

2026 NY MUSLIM ADVOCACY DAY

Legislative Priorities



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| <p>A02598 / S07805</p> <p>Sayegh/Fernandez</p> <p><i>Establishes Eid al-Fitr and Eid al-Adha as School Holidays</i></p> | <p>NY MUSLIMS SUPPORT</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Recognizes Eid as an Official School Holiday. • Applies to Districts with Populations of fifty thousand or more. • The impact would be vast: New York has the largest Muslim population in the US with approx. 2 million Muslims. |
| <p>A03506/S02235</p> <p>Reyes/Gounardes</p> <p><i>Prohibits and Regulates the Discovery and Disclosure of Immigration Status (NY For All)</i></p> | <p>NY MUSLIMS SUPPORT</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Muslim Communities across the state have been impacted by ongoing harassment by Immigration and Customs Enforcement. • Families are avoiding reporting crime, accessing services because they fear undue consequences. • Boundaries between local and federal agencies can strengthen trust in schools, health systems and public safety. |
| <p>A00410 / S05405</p> <p>Harcxham/Eichenstein</p> <p><i>Requires Hate Crime Awareness Curriculum or Instruction for School Districts</i></p> | <p>NY MUSLIMS SUPPORT</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Preventative education can reduce bias before it turns into harassment or violence. • Allows for Local Flexibility to tailor instruction to the community, while having statewide standards. • Teaching inclusion and empathy can improve student safety. |

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| A07094/S04173 Parker/Bichotte Hermelyn <i>Reproductive Health Care Facilities and Religious Worship Access Act</i> | NY MUSLIMS DO NOT SUPPORT <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Faith Communities across the state have faced harassment.• Bill restricts protests to more than 25 ft from a house of worship, allows harmed individuals to seek civil relief.• Imperative that the bill protects the right to peaceful protest; some houses of worship have provided shelter to organizations that are hosting meetings which challenge international law. |
| NY A07876 Novakhov <i>Requires Colleges and Universities to Provide Written Information on Reporting Bias-Related and Hate Crimes</i> | NY MUSLIMS SUPPORT <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Confusion exists around how to report hate and bias, and what happens after a report is filed.• Builds on existing campus safety requirements by making reporting information clearer, more accessible.• Bias is not always a hate crime, but can be harmful, and reporting can help identify patterns for effective response. |

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