

NEW LAWS TAKING EFFECT AUGUST 2026		
Effective Date	Chapter	Summary
8/5/2026	Ch. 714 of 2025 A136/S138 Ch. 1 of 2026 §§1-10 A9515/S8835	Enacts the Medical Aid in Dying law, allowing individuals with a terminal illness to make a voluntary, informed decision to request life-ending medication.
8/18/2026	Ch. 571 of 2025 A8297/S8374	Establishes a pilot program to provide alternative dispute resolution and navigator services in child support cases.
8/24/2026	Ch. 58 of 2026 PART BB, §2 A10008C/S9008C	Requires insurers to provide written explanations for premium changes in certain insurance policies.
8/25/2026	Ch. 55 of 2026 Part C, Subpart A, §5 A10005C/S9005C	Establishes crimes related to utilizing 3D printers for manufacturing ghost guns and firearm components.
8/25/2026	Ch. 55 of 2026 Part D, §4 A10005C/S9005C	Establishes the crimes of unlawful use of a drone and requires the state, its agencies, and any political subdivisions of the state only buy drones and drone mitigation technology from vendors listed on the New York State Blue List.
8/25/2026	Ch. 55 of 2026 Part H, §3 A10005C/S9005C	Extends temporary orders of protection issued simultaneously with the issuance of a warrant until the defendant subsequently appears in court unless the matter is dismissed.
8/25/2026	Ch. 55 of 2026 Part O, Subpart C, §3 A10005C/S9005C	Prohibits alcoholic beverage wholesalers from assessing certain fees on retailers.

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8/25/2026	Ch. 55 of 2026 Part LL, Subpart A, §4 A10005C/S9005C	Enacts the Local Cops, Local Crimes Act, prohibiting local governments and law enforcement agencies from entering into agreements to operate as immigration officers or to detain people solely for federal civil immigration violations.
8/25/2026	Ch. 159 of 2026 A1942/S3822	Allows nurse practitioners to sign various medical documents related to student athletes, school bus drivers and monitors, temporary disability parking permits and jury duty excuses for breastfeeding mothers.
8/26/2026	Ch. 354 of 2025 A5448B/S4559B	Provides for the appointment of a Title VI coordinator at every college and university in the state to ensure compliance with Title VI of the federal Civil Rights Act of 1964. Requires the Division of Human Rights to develop training for students and employees and ensures the Title VI coordinator notifies students and employees of the institution's policies and procedures for reporting discrimination and harassment on an annual basis.
8/26/2026	Ch. 57 of 2026 Part BB, §2-6 A10007C/S9007C	Reforms the Independent Dispute Resolution process and Surprise Billing law by benchmarking provider payments by specialty and geographic area.