

Governor Cuomo Signs Women's Equality Agenda; New Law Strengthens Equal Pay Protections

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On October 21, 2015, Governor Andrew Cuomo signed a group of eight laws, called the Women's Equality Agenda, which expand protections for women in the workplace in New York. The act will become effective on January 19, 2016. The new laws give stronger protections to employees by amending existing laws to provide expanded equal pay obligations, protections for victims of sexual harassment, attorneys' fees for prevailing plaintiffs in sex discrimination suits, the addition of familial status as a protected category under the New York State Human Rights Law, and a requirement that employers reasonably accommodate pregnancy-related conditions... [Continue Reading](#)

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