# **NY CLS Penal § 156.50**

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**§ 156.50. Offenses involving computers; defenses**

In any prosecution:

**1.** under section 156.05 or 156.10 of this article, it shall be a defense that the defendant had reasonable grounds to believe that he had authorization to use the computer;

**2.** under section 156.20, 156.25, 156.26 or 156.27 of this article it shall be a defense that the defendant had reasonable grounds to believe that he had the right to alter in any manner or destroy the computer data or the computer program;

**3.** under section 156.29 or 156.30 of this article it shall be a defense that the defendant had reasonable grounds to believe that he had the right to copy, reproduce or duplicate in any manner the computer data or the computer program.

**History**

Add, L 1986, ch 514, § 1; amd, L 1993, ch 89, § 4, eff Nov 1, 1993; L 2008, ch 590, § 4, eff Nov 1, 2008.

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