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A Local Law to amend the administrative code of the city of New York, in relation to the protection of spectators in baseball stadiums

Be it enacted by the Council as follows:

Section 1. Chapter 4 of title 20 of the administrative code of the city of New York is amended by adding a new subchapter 13 to read as follows:

Subchapter 13

Protection of Spectators in Baseball Stadiums

§20-699.7.1 Definitions. For the purposes of this subchapter, the following terms have the following meanings:

Baseball stadium. A stadium with a capacity of at least 5,000 spectators, in which baseball games are played and seating or standing room is assigned by issuance of tickets purchased by spectators.

Protective netting. An open-meshed material made by knotting together wire, rope, thread, or any other material as approved by the commissioner, used to protect spectators at baseball games from errant baseballs.

§20-699.7.2 Required netting. All baseball stadiums in the city of New York shall extend protective netting from the area behind home plate to the foul poles at the end of both foul lines, during baseball games played in such stadiums.

§20-699.7.3 Posting of signs. Signs warning spectators about the danger of baseballs landing in the seating area shall be posted conspicuously in all baseball stadiums, in sizes, styles and locations to be

determined by the commissioner.

§20-699.7.4 Rules and regulations. The department is authorized to promulgate such rules and regulations as it deems necessary to implement and enforce the provisions of this subchapter.

§2. This local law shall take effect 120 days after it becomes law.

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