Int. No. 1264-A

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..Title

A Local Law to amend the administrative code of the city of New York, in relation to the operation of certain electric bicycles

..Body

Be it enacted by the Council as follows:

Section 1. Subdivision a of section 19-176.2 of the administrative code of the city of New York, as amended by local law number 40 for the year 2013, and as amended by a local law for the year 2020 amending the administrative code of the city of New York, relating to the operation of certain electric scooters, as proposed in introduction number 1250-A, is amended to read as follows:

a. For purposes of this section, the term “motorized scooter” shall mean any wheeled device that has handlebars that is designed to be stood or sat upon by the operator, is powered by an electric motor or by a gasoline motor that is capable of propelling the device without human power and is not capable of being registered with the New York State Department of Motor Vehicles. For the purposes of this section, the term motorized scooter shall not include wheelchairs or other mobility devices designed for use by persons with disabilities; or an electric scooter as such term is defined in section 114-e of the vehicle and traffic law or successor provision; or a bicycle with electric assist as defined in section 102-c of the vehicle and traffic law or successor provision.

§ 2. Subdivision e of section 19-176.2 of the administrative code of the city of New York, as amended by a local law for the year 2020 amending the administrative code of the city of New York, relating to the operation of certain electric scooters, as proposed in introduction number 1250-A, is amended to read as follows:

e. Operators of electric scooters as defined in section 114-e of the vehicle and traffic law, and operators of bicycles with electric assist as defined in section 102-c of the vehicle and traffic law, or successor provisions, shall be subject to the same rights and responsibilities attributed to operators of bicycles pursuant to the vehicle and traffic law, this code and the rules of the department, and shall be subject to any additional applicable provisions of the vehicle and traffic law, this code and rules of the department.

§ 3. This local law takes effect 120 days after it becomes law, except that the commissioner of transportation shall take such measures as are necessary for the implementation of this local law, including the promulgation of rules, before such date.

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