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A Local Law to amend the administrative code of the city of New York, in relation to providing food delivery workers with information on safety measures that mitigate the fire risks posed by powered mobility devices

Be it enacted by the Council as follows:

Section 1. Section 20-1501 of title 20 of the administrative code of the city of New York is amended by adding a definition of “powered mobility devices” in alphabetical order to read as follows:

Powered mobility devices. The term “powered mobility devices” means motorized bicycles, motorized scooters and other personal mobility devices powered by a lithium-ion or other storage battery. The term does not include motor vehicles or motorcycles or other mobility devices that must be registered with the New York State Department of Motor Vehicles.

§2. Subchapter 2 of chapter 5 of title 20 of the administrative code of the city of New York is amended by adding a section 20-1525 to read as follows:

§ 20-1525. Fire safety of powered mobility devices. a. The department, in consultation with the fire department, shall establish materials that provide guidance on safe use and storage of powered mobility devices. Such guidance shall include, but not be limited to: (i) purchasing mobility devices and battery equipment that meet established fire safety standards; (ii) maintenance and care information for powered mobility devices and lithium-ion batteries; and (iii) storage and charging precautions for powered mobility devices and lithium-ion batteries. Any written materials disseminated by the department pursuant to this section shall be made available in the top ten languages most commonly spoken within the city as determined by the

department of city planning.

b. Any food service establishment, third-party food delivery service, or third-party courier service that hires, retains or engages as an independent contractor a worker who delivers food and beverage items as part of their employment shall provide such worker with material established by the department pursuant to subdivision a of this section.

§ 2. This local law takes effect 180 day after it becomes law.

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