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..Title

A Local Law to amend the administrative code of the city of New York, in relation to the purchase of catalytic converters

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Be it enacted by the Council as follows:

Section 1. Subchapter 11 of title 20 of the administrative code of the city of New York is amended by adding a new section 20-268.7 to read as follows:

§ 20-268.7 Purchase of catalytic converters. a. Before any dealer in second-hand articles as defined by this subchapter, or any person who for commercial purposes rather than personal use, purchases any catalytic converter, such dealer or person must receive the following information from the seller and determine that the catalytic converter is consistent with the manufacturer’s specifications for a catalytic converter from the vehicle identified in such information:

1. The year, make, model and vehicle identification number for the vehicle from which the catalytic converter was removed; and

2. A copy of the certificate of title or other documentation indicating that the seller has an ownership interest in the vehicle described in paragraph 1, or where the seller is the owner of a garage or repair shop and the catalytic converter was removed in connection with a repair of the vehicle, the name and address of the vehicle’s owner and copies of all related invoices.

b. Purchasers shall maintain a written or electronic record of the information provided pursuant to subdivision a for a minimum of five years from the date the information was provided. Such records shall be open to the inspection by the department, the fire department or the police department.

c. In addition to the penalties provided pursuant to section 20-275, any violation of this section shall be grounds for the suspension or revocation of any license issued pursuant to this subchapter or any other license issued by any agency.

§ 2. This local law takes effect 60 days after it becomes law.

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