Int. No. 1849

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..Title

A Local Law to amend the New York city fire code, in relation to establishing fire safety provisions for film production locations and requiring production location fire safety managers for certain scouting, rigging and production activities, and pyrotechnic usage

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Be it enacted by the Council as follows:

Section 1. Section 202 of the New York city fire code, section FC 202 of chapter 2 of title 29 of the administrative code of the city of New York, as amended by local law number 148 for the year 2013, is amended by adding a new definition of “production location” in appropriate alphabetical order to read as follows:

**PRODUCTION LOCATION.** Any location approved for the purpose of motion picture, television or commercial production by the mayor’s office of media and entertainment.

§ 2. Chapter 3 of the New York city fire code, chapter 2 of title 29 of the administrative code of the city of New York, as amended by local law number 148 for the year 2013, is amended by adding a new section FC 325 to read as follows:

**SECTION FC 325**

**PRODUCTION LOCATIONS**

**325.1 Scope.** This section shall govern the protection of fire safety at production locations.

**325.2 Fire safety at production locations.** The commissioner shall promulgate rules addressing fire safety at production locations. Such rules shall establish safety procedures in consideration of such location’s occupancy, construction and condition, and the nature of the production activities to take place at such location, including whether construction, alteration or demolition operations of such location are performed, and whether pyrotechnic or other special effects will be conducted. Such rules may require the following fire safety measures in addition to such other safety measures as the commissioner may require:

1. The designation of a production location fire safety manager, who shall have such qualifications and duties as set forth in department rules, including but not limited to responsibility for periodically inspecting the production location, confirming that permits or other required approvals have been obtained, and completing fire safety surveys or other recordkeeping.

2. The periodic inspection of production locations by a production location fire safety manager for compliance with this code and other laws, rules and regulations enforced by the department.

3. The designation of production activities during which the presence of a production location fire safety manager is required.

4. The designation of production activities during which the presence of departmental representatives is required.

**325.3 Production location fire safety manager**. When a permit is issued for scouting, rigging and production activities, as set forth in 43 RCNY § 9-01, the permit holder shall designate a production location fire safety manager who shall have such duties and responsibilities as established in accordance with department rules promulgated pursuant to FC 325.

§ 3. This local law takes effect 120 days after it becomes law, except that the fire commissioner may 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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