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A Local Law to amend the administrative code of the city of New York, in relation to identifying and removing boats from New York city's littoral waters

Be it enacted by the Council as follows:

Section 1. Title 22 of the administrative code of the city of New York is amended by adding a new chapter 12 to read as follows:

CHAPTER 12

ABANDONED BOAT REMOVAL

§ 22-1201 Definitions.

§ 22-1202 Abandoned Boat Log.

§ 22-1203 Abandoned Boat Removal Protocol.

§ 22-1201 Definitions. As used in this chapter, the following terms have the following meanings:

Abandoned. The term "abandoned" means permanent relinquishment of possession or control.

Department. The term "department" means the department of small business services.

Littoral waters. The term "littoral waters" means any waters within or bounding a city to a distance of fifteen hundred feet from the shore.

§ 22-1202 Abandoned Boat Log. The department, in consultation with any other relevant agency, including, but not limited to, the department of parks and recreation and the department of finance, shall create and maintain a log of abandoned boats and their locations in New York city's littoral waters. The department shall make the log publicly available online, and shall update the log on a monthly basis.

§ 22-1203 Abandoned Boat Removal Protocol. The department of finance shall develop a protocol for the removal of abandoned boats in New York city's littoral waters. Such protocol shall require the office of the city sheriff:

1. to establish a means of identifying abandoned boats in New York city's littoral waters, including but not limited to direct inspection by city employees and receipt of reports from the public; and

2. to establish a system whereby personnel of the office of the city sheriff shall be deployed to assess and remove abandoned boats from New York city's littoral waters.

§ 2. This local law takes effect 180 days after enactment, except that the department of small business services and department of finance may take such measures as are necessary for its implementation, including the creation of a log of abandoned boat locations, prior to its effective date.

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