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By Council Members Gennaro, Nelson, Sanders Jr. and White Jr.

A Local Law to amend the administrative code of the city of New York, in relation to noise levels during protests and demonstrations.

Be it enacted by the Council as follows:

Section 1. Declaration of legislative findings and intent. One of the most powerful tools that any group has is the right to freely and peaceably assemble and petition the government for a redress of grievances. This concept is embodied in the First Amendment to the Constitution of the United States, as well as in the Constitution of the State of New York. The Council finds that in order to make sure that all groups continue to have the ability to use this powerful tool of assembly and protest, the ability to use sound amplification equipment is essential. Amplified horns, microphones and other sound reproduction devices are often used peaceably and effectively during protests, marches and assemblies to aid those gathered in effectively delivering their message.

§2. Section 24-218 of the administrative code of the city of New York is amended to read as follows:

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§24-218 General prohibitions. No person shall make, continue or cause or permit to be made or continued any unreasonable noise, except that this section shall not apply to any sound from any source where the decibel level of such sound is within the limits prescribed by another section of this title, a permit issued in accordance with §10-108 of this code, or in accordance with any other permit or authorization, and where there is compliance with all other applicable requirements of law with respect to such sound.

§3. Subdivision a of section 24-218 of the administrative code of the city of New York is amended to read as follows:

§24-218 General prohibitions**.** (a) No person shall make, continue or cause or permit to be made or continued any unreasonable noise, except that this section shall not apply to any sound from any source where the decibel level of such sound is within the limits prescribed by a permit issued in accordance with §10-108 of this code, or in accordance with any other permit or authorization, and where there is compliance with all other applicable requirements of law with respect to such sound.

§4. This local law shall take effect immediately upon its enactment into law, except for section three of this local law, which shall take effect July 1, 2007, at which time section two of this local law shall expire.

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