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A Local Law to amend the administrative code of the city of New York, in relation to student pedestrian safety near schools located in proximity to parking garages.

Be it enacted by the Council as follows:

Section 1. Subchapter three of chapter one of title 19 of the administrative code of the city of New York is amended by adding a new section 19-183 to read as follows:

§19-183 Installation of pedestrian warning systems and cautionary signs. a. Definitions. For purposes of this section only, the following terms shall have the following meanings:

1. “Parking garage” means a building, shed or enclosure or portion thereof which has the capacity to hold five or more motor vehicles and which is used to accommodate, store, or keep any motor vehicle for the payment of a fee or other consideration charged directly or indirectly.

2. “Exit” means a point of egress from a parking garage where a motor vehicle must cross a sidewalk.

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3. “Pedestrian warning system” means a system approved by the department that includes visual and audible warning devices to alert pedestrians to the presence of incoming or exiting vehicles.

b. The department shall install at any city-owned parking garage located in what the department determines to be proximity to a school: (1) a pedestrian warning system at the exterior of the garage’s exit; (2) a stop sign on the interior of the exit; and (3) a conspicuously placed, department approved sign on the interior alerting all exiting cars to the presence of students in the area.

§ 2. Subchapter seventeen of chapter two of title 20 of the administrative code of the city of New York is amended by adding a new section 20-332 to read as follows:

§20-332 Pedestrian warning systems. a. Definitions. For purposes of this section only, the following terms shall have the following meanings:

1. “Parking garage” means a building, shed or enclosure or portion thereof which has the capacity to hold five or more motor vehicles and which is used to accommodate, store, or keep any motor vehicle for the payment of a fee or other consideration charged directly or indirectly.

2. “Exit” means any point of egress from a parking garage where a motor vehicle must cross a sidewalk.

3. “Pedestrian warning system” means any system approved by the department of transportation that includes visual and audible warning devices to alert pedestrians to the presence of incoming or exiting vehicles.

b. Parking garage operators shall install at any parking garage located in what the department of transportation determines to be proximity to a school: (1) a pedestrian warning system at the exterior of the garage’s exit; (2) a stop sign on the interior of the exit; and (3) a conspicuously-placed, department of transportation approved sign on the interior alerting all exiting cars to the presence of students in the area.

§3. This local law shall take effect one hundred and eighty days after enactment, provided, however, that the department of transportation in consultation with the department of consumer affairs shall take any necessary actions to implement this law, including the promulgation of rules, prior to such effective date.

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