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By Council Members Van Bramer, Reynoso and Rivera

A Local Law to amend the administrative code of the city of New York, in relation to reducing noise from refuse collection vehicles

Be it enacted by the Council as follows:

Section 1. Section 24-225 of the administrative code of the city of New York, as added by local law number 113 for the year 2005, is amended to read as follows:

§ 24-225 Refuse collection vehicles. (a) No person shall sell, offer for sale, operate or permit to be operated a refuse collection vehicle, equipped with a compacter, that produces a maximum sound level when the compacting mechanism is in the compacting cycle but not engaged in compacting a load that exceeds [80] 75 dB(A), when measured by a sound level meter set for slow response at a distance of 35 feet or more from the compacting unit.

- (b) It shall be unlawful to operate or cause to be operated a refuse collection vehicle, including such a vehicle equipped with a compacter, within 50 feet of any residential receiving property at or after 11:00 p.m. and before 7:00 a.m. if the aggregate sound, not including impulsive sound, generated by the collection and compacting activities exceeds [85] 75 dB(A) when measured by a sound level meter set to slow response at a distance of 35 feet or more from the vehicle. [On and after July 1, 2012 such aggregate sound shall not exceed 80 dB(A).] The provisions of this subdivision shall not apply to the operation of refuse collection vehicles during an emergency such as a storm or other event that causes delays in refuse collection.
- § 2. This local law takes effect 120 days after it becomes law, except that the commissioner may take such measures as are necessary for its implementation, including the promulgation of rules, prior to such

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