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A Local Law to amend the administrative code of the city of New York, in relation to prohibiting the sale, or distribution for commercial purposes, of single use bottles at city beaches and parks

Be it enacted by the Council as follows:

Section 1. Chapter 1 of title 18 of the administrative code of the city of New York is amended by adding a new section 18-156 to read as follows:

§ 18-156 Single use bottle prohibition at beaches and parks. a. Definitions. For purposes of this section, the following terms have the following meanings:

Event. The term "event" means any gathering held at a beach or park under the jurisdiction of the department that includes at least 50 people.

Participant athletic event. The term "participant athletic event" means an event in which a group of people collectively walk, jog, run, bicycle or otherwise participate in a sport.

Single use bottle. The term "single use bottle" means any container that is intended by the manufacturer to be used once or that is generally recognized by the public as an item to be discarded after one use.

b. No person may sell, or distribute for commercial purposes, a single use bottle at beaches or parks under the jurisdiction of the department.

c. The provisions of this section do not apply in the following circumstances, in relation to the sale, or distribution for commercial purposes, of single use bottles containing water at beaches and parks under the jurisdiction of the department:

1. Participant athletic events; or

2. Events where the sponsor demonstrates that the prohibition would present an undue health risk to participants of such event.

d. The department, in consultation with the departments of sanitation, environmental protection and citywide administrative services, shall publish on its website a list or description of the single use bottles prohibited pursuant to subdivision b of this section.

§ 2. This local law takes effect 180 days after it becomes law, except that the department of parks and recreation shall, and the departments of sanitation, environmental protection and citywide administrative services 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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