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A Local Law to amend the administrative code of the city of New York, in relation to the development of a cigarette butt receptacle and recycling program

Be it enacted by the Council as follows:

Section 1. Chapter 1 of title 16 of the administrative code of the city of New York is amended by adding a new section 16-143 to read as follows:

§ 16-143 Cigarette butt receptacle and recycling program. a. Definitions. For the purposes of this section, the following terms have the following meanings:

Cigarette butt receptacle. The term “cigarette butt receptacle” means a fireproof container into which cigarette butts may be safely disposed and retrieved for recycling purposes.

Pilot district. The term “pilot district” means a geographical portion of the city designated for participation in the pilot program that includes five or more locations where frequent cigarette smoking activity occurs immediately adjacent to a business, building or other property.

Pilot program. The term “pilot program” means a program established pursuant to this section for the installation of cigarette butt receptacles in where frequent cigarette smoking activity occurs.

b. Development of pilot program. The department, in consultation with the department of transportation, shall establish a pilot program for the installation of cigarette butt receptacles in a pilot district in accordance with this section. The pilot program shall continue for at least one year following the full installation of cigarette butt receptacles in such pilot district and provide for the collection and recycling of disposed cigarette butts.

c. Identification of pilot district. In consultation with the department of transportation, the department shall identify a pilot district and install and maintain at least five cigarette butt receptacles in such district except in areas where smoking is prohibited by chapter 5 of title 17.

d. Signage. The department shall install signage adjacent to each cigarette butt receptacle encouraging smokers to dispose of their cigarette butts in such receptacles and informing them that disposed butts may be recycled in accordance with the pilot program.

§ 2. This local law takes effect 120 days after it becomes law, except that the commissioner 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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