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A Local Law to amend the administrative code of the city of New York, in relation to creating disclosure requirements for the sale, lease or rental of motorized scooters.

Be it enacted by the Council as follows:

Section one. Chapter 5 of title 20 of the administrative code of the city of New York is hereby amended by adding a new subchapter 15 to read as follows:

SUBCHAPTER 15

INFORMATION WITH RESPECT TO MOTORIZED SCOOTERS

§ 20-775 Definitions. For the purposes of this subchapter, (i) “motorized scooter” shall mean any wheeled device that is designed to be stood or sat upon by the operator, is powered by an electric motor or by a gasoline motor that is capable of propelling the device without human power and may not be registered with the New York state department of motor vehicles, but shall not include wheelchairs or other mobility aids designed for use by disabled persons, and (ii) “person” shall mean any individual, firm, company, partnership, corporation, association or other organization that is engaged, in whole or in part, in the business of selling, leasing or renting motorized scooters.

§ 20-776 Display of information. Any person selling, leasing or renting or displaying for sale, lease or rental any motorized scooter shall prominently display, in an area readily visible to consumers, a sign that shall contain the following statement in English and any other language that the commissioner shall designate by rule:

- UNDER NEW YORK LAW, IT IS ILLEGAL TO OPERATE A MOTORIZED SCOOTER ON ANY SIDEWALK OR STREET. MOTORIZED SCOOTERS MAY NOT LEGALLY BE OPERATED OUTSIDE OF PRIVATE PROPERTY.

§ 20-777 Advertising. Any person who advertises the sale, lease or rental of a motorized scooter in the city of New York shall include in any advertisement the required disclosure in accordance with section 20-776 of this subchapter.

§ 20-777.1 Penalties. Any person that violates any provision of this subchapter shall be liable for a civil penalty of not less

than one hundred dollars nor more than two hundred fifty dollars for the first violation and for each succeeding violation a civil penalty of not less than two hundred fifty dollars nor more than five hundred dollars.

§2. This local law shall take effect thirty days after its enactment into law.