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A Local Law to amend the administrative code of the city of New York and the New York city building code, in relation to requiring carbon monoxide detecting devices in the basements of certain dwellings

Be it enacted by the Council as follows:

Section 1. Subdivision a of section 27-2045 of the administrative code of the city of New York is amended by adding a new definition of “basement common area” in alphabetical order to read as follows:

Basement common area. The term “basement common area” means an area in the basement of a class A or class B multiple dwelling that is not within a dwelling unit and that is available for common use by all occupants, including owners or tenants, or a group of occupants and their invitees, except that such term does not include areas regularly used by occupants for access to and egress from any dwelling unit within such multiple dwelling.

§ 2. Subparagraph (b) of paragraph 1 of subdivision b of section 27-2045 of the administrative code of the city of New York, as added by local law number 157 for the year 2016, is amended to read as follows:

(b) Provide and install one or more approved and operational carbon monoxide detecting devices in each dwelling unit and in any basement common area, in accordance with section 908.7 of the New York city building code or sections 27-981.1, 27-981.2 and 27-981.3 of the 1968 building code, as applicable, or, in the alternative for class B multiple dwellings, provide and install a line-operated zoned carbon monoxide detecting system with central annunciation and central office tie-in for all public corridors and public spaces, pursuant to rules promulgated by the commissioner of buildings or by the commissioner in consultation with the department of buildings and the fire department;

§ 3. Article 315 of chapter 3 of title 28 of the administrative code of the city of New York is amended by adding a new section 28-315.2.5 to read as follows:

**§ 28-315.2.5 Carbon monoxide alarms for occupancy group R-2 basements.** Areas in the basement of a multiple dwelling classified in occupancy group R-2, that are not within a dwelling unit and that are available for common use by all occupants, including owners or tenants, or a group of occupants and their invitees, except those areas regularly used by occupants for access to and egress from any dwelling unit within such multiple dwelling, shall be equipped with approved and operational carbon monoxide detecting devices on or before December 1, 2022, in accordance with section 908.7 of the New York city building code.

§ 4. Section 908.7 of the New York city building code is amended by adding a new section 908.7.1.1.4 to read as follows:

**908.7.1.1.4 Required locations in basements.** For a building within occupancy group R-2 where carbon monoxide alarms or detectors are required under section 908.7.1.1, carbon monoxide alarms or detectors shall be located in all basement common areas, as such term is defined in subdivision a of section 27-2045 of the Administrative Code.

§ 5. This local law takes effect immediately.

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