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A Local Law to amend the administrative code of the city of New York, in relation to establishing a battery safety certification for powered mobility device mechanics

Be it enacted by the Council as follows:

Section 1. Chapter 4 of title 20 of the administrative code of the city of New York, is amended by adding a new subchapter 15 to read as follows:

SUBCHAPTER 15

POWERED MOBILITY DEVICES

§ 20-699.21 Definitions. For the purposes of this subchapter, the term “powered mobility device” means a motorized bicycle, motorized scooter and other personal mobility device powered by a lithium-ion or other storage battery. The term does not include motor vehicles or motorcycles or other mobility devices that must be registered with the New York state department of motor vehicles.

§ 20-699.22 Powered mobility device mechanic certification. a. The commissioner shall establish by rule a process by which powered mobility device mechanics may apply to be recognized as certified in powered mobility device battery safety. The commissioner shall establish the criteria for such certification process.

b. The commissioner shall require by rule all such powered mobility device mechanics to be certified pursuant to subdivision a of this section and shall maintain on the department’s website and update at least monthly a list of all mechanics who are certified pursuant to subdivision a of this section.

c. The commissioner shall conduct outreach and education about the provisions of this subchapter. Such outreach and education shall be provided to food delivery workers, third-party food delivery services and other

groups frequently using powered mobility devices that the commissioner may identify.

§ 2. This local law takes effect 120 days after it becomes law.

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