

STATE OF NEW YORK

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2021-2022 Regular Sessions

IN ASSEMBLY

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Introduced by M. of A. ANDERSON -- read once and referred to the Committee on Local Governments

AN ACT to amend the general municipal law, in relation to requiring individuals or corporations to obtain a sound permit from a municipality in certain situations

The People of the State of New York, represented in Senate and Assembly, do enact as follows:

1 Section 1. The general municipal law is amended by adding a new
2 section 99-x to read as follows:

3 § 99-x. Sound permit requirement. 1. An individual or corporation
4 shall be required to apply for and obtain a sound permit from a municipi-
5 pality if:

6 (a) a sound source is planned, installed or intended to be installed,
7 or modified by any individual or corporation in a manner that such
8 source will create or is likely to create unreasonable noise;

9 (b) any individual or corporation uses or plans to use any sound-am-
10 plifying equipment in a manner that such equipment is or will be heard
11 outside of any building or vehicle during nighttime hours; or

12 (c) any individual or corporation uses or plans to use a public-ad-
13 dress system that will produce unreasonable noise outside of a building.

14 2. Applications for a sound permit shall be submitted seventy-two
15 hours in advance of an event in a manner and form prescribed by the
16 municipality.

17 3. The failure of any individual or corporation to comply with this
18 section shall result in the issuance of a written warning by the municipi-
19 pality. Any individual or corporation who violates this section:

20 (a) for a second time shall be subject to a civil penalty of five
21 hundred dollars;

22 (b) for a third time shall be subject to a civil penalty of one thou-
23 sand dollars; and

EXPLANATION--Matter in italics (underscored) is new; matter in brackets
[-] is old law to be omitted.

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- 1 (c) for each additional violation after that, shall be subject to a
- 2 civil penalty of an additional one thousand dollars added to the previ-
- 3 ous violation amount charged.
- 4 § 2. This act shall take effect immediately.