STATE OF NEW YORK

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IN ASSEMBLY

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Introduced by M. of A. CUNNINGHAM -- read once and referred to the Committee on Housing

AN ACT to amend the multiple dwelling law, in relation to requiring windows in new multiple dwellings exceeding one story in height to be fitted with key-operated window locks

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

Section 1. Section 30 of the multiple dwelling law is amended by adding a new subdivision 11 to read as follows:

11. (a) The provisions of this subdivision shall apply to every new multiple dwelling constructed on or after the effective date of this subdivision exceeding one story in height.

(b) All windows, except windows leading to fire escapes and one window in each ground floor or basement apartment to be used as an emergency exit, shall be fitted with key-operated window locks.

(c) For the purposes of this subdivision, "key-operated window lock" shall mean a device that restricts a window opening to no more than four inches when locked and that can be locked and unlocked using a key.

§ 2. This act shall take effect immediately.

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

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