

# STATE OF NEW YORK

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2025-2026 Regular Sessions

## IN SENATE

February 13, 2025

Introduced by Sen. JACKSON -- read twice and ordered printed, and when printed to be committed to the Committee on Local Government

AN ACT to amend the general municipal law, in relation to disabilities of sanitation department employees caused by leptospirosis

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 207-aa to read as follows:

3 § 207-aa. Disabilities of members of the uniformed force of sanitation  
4 departments caused by leptospirosis. 1. Notwithstanding the provisions  
5 of any general, special, or local law to the contrary, any condition of  
6 impairment of health caused by leptospirosis that results in total or  
7 partial disability or death to a paid member of the uniformed force of a  
8 sanitation department, where such member is drawn from competitive civil  
9 service lists and successfully passed a physical examination upon entry  
10 into the service of such sanitation department, and such examination  
11 failed to reveal any evidence of such condition, shall be presumptive  
12 evidence that such condition was incurred in the performance and  
13 discharge of such member's duty, unless competent evidence proves other-  
14 wise.

15 2. The provisions of this section shall not apply to the workers'  
16 compensation law and the labor law.

17 § 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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