

STATE OF NEW YORK

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IN SENATE

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Introduced by Sen. MAY -- read twice and ordered printed, and when printed to be committed to the Committee on Consumer Protection

AN ACT to amend the general business law, in relation to requirements for the rental of helmets

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

1 Section 1. Short title. This act shall be known and may be cited as
2 the "safe helmet act".

3 § 2. The general business law is amended by adding a new section 391-
4 ccc to read as follows:

5 § 391-ccc. Rental of helmets. 1. No person, corporation, association
6 or partnership who rents helmets or provides helmets to customers as
7 part of their business shall rent or provide a helmet that has previous-
8 ly sustained an impact.

9 2. (a) (i) Every person, corporation, association or partnership who
10 rents helmets or provides helmets to customers as part of their business
11 shall directly inquire from every customer about whether any impacts
12 have been sustained to a rented or provided helmet upon the return of
13 such helmet.

14 (ii) Every person, corporation, association or partnership who rents
15 helmets or provides helmets to customers as part of their business shall
16 keep a written record of every notification of an impact provided by a
17 customer pursuant to subparagraph (i) of this paragraph.

18 (b) No person, corporation, association or partnership who rents
19 helmets or provides helmets to customers as part of their business
20 shall:

21 (i) charge a customer a fee or penalty if a helmet rented or provided
22 to such customer sustained an impact while in the possession of such
23 customer; or

24 (ii) provide a discount or incentive to a customer for returning a
25 rented or provided helmet undamaged.

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

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1 3. No person, corporation, association or partnership who rents
2 helmets or provides helmets to customers as part of their business shall
3 store a helmet which has sustained an impact with undamaged helmets.
4 § 3. This act shall take effect on the ninetieth day after it shall
5 have become a law.