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Introduced by M. of A. PERRY -- Multi-Sponsored by -- M. of A. TOWNS -- read once and referred to the Committee on Governmental Operations

AN ACT to amend the executive law and the multiple dwelling law, in relation to visibility of enclosed internal stairwells of buildings

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK, REPRESENTED IN SENATE AND ASSEMBLY, DO ENACT AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. Subdivision 2 of section 378 of the executive law, as added by chapter 707 of the laws of 1981, is amended to read as follows:

2. Standards for the condition, occupancy, maintenance, conservation, rehabilitation and renewal of certain existing buildings, structures and premises and for the safeguarding of life and property therein and thereabout from the hazards of fire, explosion or release of toxic gases arising from the storage, handling or use of combustible or hazardous substances, materials or devices INCLUDING, BUT NOT LIMITED TO, FIRE DEPARTMENT APPROVED FIRE AND HEAT RESISTANT TRANSPARENT MATERIAL IN THE CONSTRUCTION OF ALL DOORS THAT PROVIDE INGRESS OR EGRESS TO STAIRWELLS AND DOORS BETWEEN SUCH BUILDINGS TO ALLOW FOR VISIBILITY AND SAFE PASSAGE THROUGH SUCH DOORS.

S 2. Section 52 of the multiple dwelling law is amended by adding a new subdivision 9 to read as follows:

9. NOTWITHSTANDING ANY SUBDIVISION OF THIS SECTION TO THE CONTRARY, ALL INTERNAL STAIRWELL DOORS AND DOORS BETWEEN SUCH BUILDINGS SHALL ALSO BE FITTED OR REFITTED WITH A PANE OF FIRE DEPARTMENT APPROVED FIRE AND HEAT RESISTANT TRANSPARENT MATERIAL TO ALLOW FOR VISIBILITY AND SAFE PASSAGE THROUGH SUCH DOORS.

S 3. This act shall take effect immediately; provided, however, that the amendment to subdivision 2 of section 378 of the executive law made by section one of this act shall take effect on the first of January next succeeding the date on which it shall have become a law.

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

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