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Introduced by M. of A. V. LOPEZ -- read once and referred to the Committee on Judiciary

AN ACT to amend the general obligations law, in relation to the use of protective headgear at ski areas

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

1 Section 1. The general obligations law is amended by adding a new  
2 section 18-105-a to read as follows:

3 S 18-105-A. USE OF PROTECTIVE HEADGEAR AT SKI AREAS. 1. NO PARTICIPANT  
4 SHALL ENGAGE IN SKI AREA ACTIVITY UNLESS SUCH PARTICIPANT IS WEARING A  
5 HELMET MEETING THE APPROPRIATE STANDARDS OF THE AMERICAN NATIONAL STAND-  
6 ARDS INSTITUTE OR THE SNELL-MEMORIAL FOUNDATION'S STANDARDS FOR PROTEC-  
7 TIVE HEADGEAR. FOR THE PURPOSE OF THIS SUBDIVISION WEARING A HELMET  
8 MEANS HAVING A HELMET OF GOOD FIT FASTENED SECURELY UPON THE HEAD WITH  
9 HELMET STRAPS.

10 2. ANY PARTICIPANT WHO VIOLATES THE PROVISIONS OF SUBDIVISION ONE OF  
11 THIS SECTION SHALL PAY A FINE OF FIFTY DOLLARS FOR THE FIRST OFFENSE AND  
12 A FINE OF ONE HUNDRED DOLLARS FOR EACH SUBSEQUENT OFFENSE. ANY MINOR WHO  
13 IS SIXTEEN YEARS OF AGE, WHO VIOLATES THE PROVISIONS OF SUBDIVISION ONE  
14 OF THIS SECTION SHALL BE JOINTLY AND SEVERALLY LIABLE WITH HIS OR HER  
15 PARENT OR LEGAL GUARDIAN FOR THE FINE IMPOSED.

16 S 2. This act shall take effect on the sixtieth day after it shall  
17 have become a law.

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

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