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Introduced by M. of A. WRIGHT -- read once and referred to the Committee on Cities

AN ACT to amend the administrative code of the city of New York, in relation to the regulation of commercial bicyclists

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

Section 1. Subdivision b and paragraph 1 of subdivision e of section 10-157 of the administrative code of the city of New York, as amended by local law number 56 of the city of New York for the year 2012, are amended and a new subdivision a-1 is added to read as follows:

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- A-1. EVERY BICYCLE OPERATOR, WHILE ENGAGED IN BICYCLE OPERATION, SHALL WEAR A HELMET MEETING THE STANDARDS OF THE AMERICAN NATIONAL STANDARDS INSTITUTE (ANSI Z 90.4 BICYCLE HELMET STANDARDS) OR THE SNELL MEMORIAL FOUNDATION'S STANDARDS FOR PROTECTIVE HEADGEAR FOR USE IN BICYCLING. FOR THE PURPOSES OF THIS SUBDIVISION, WEARING A HELMET MEANS HAVING A HELMET OF GOOD FIT FASTENED SECURELY UPON THE HEAD WITH THE HELMET STRAPS.
- b. A business using a bicycle for commercial purposes shall REGISTER EACH BICYCLE WITH THE LOCAL POLICE PRECINCT AND SHALL provide identification of such business by requiring every bicycle to be identified by affixing to the rear of each bicycle, [bicycle seat or both sides of the delivery basket,] a metal or plastic sign measuring no less than three inches by five inches, with the name of the business and an identification number unique to that particular bicycle in lettering and numerals no less than one inch in height so as to be plainly readable at a distance of not less than ten feet and maintaining same in good condition thereon. A sign is no longer in good condition if it is missing any of its component parts or is otherwise damaged so as to impair its functionality.
- (1) The owner of any business using a bicycle for commercial purposes shall provide, at its own expense, protective headgear suitable for each

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

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1 bicycle operator AS PROVIDED BY SUBDIVISION A-1 OF THIS SECTION. Such 2 headgear shall:

- (i) meet the standards set forth by the consumer product safety commission in title 16, part 1203 of the code of federal regulations;
- (ii) be readily available at each site of the business using a bicycle for commercial purposes for use by each bicycle operator; and
- 7 (iii) be replaced if such headgear is no longer in good condition. 8 Headgear is no longer in good condition if it is missing any of its 9 component parts or is otherwise damaged so as to impair its functionali-10 ty.
- 11 S 2. This act shall take effect on the first of January next succeed-12 ing the date on which it shall have become a law.