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AN ACT to amend the agriculture and markets law, in relation to requiring the installation and testing of fire protection systems at pet stores

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

1 Section 1. Section 407 of the agriculture and markets law is renum-  
2 bered section 408 and a new section 407 is added to read as follows:  
3 S 407. FIRE PROTECTION REQUIREMENTS FOR PET STORES. ALL PET DEALERS  
4 LICENSED UNDER THIS ARTICLE SHALL PROVIDE FIRE PROTECTION MEASURES FOR  
5 EVERY PREMISES AT WHICH THE DEALER HOUSES ANIMALS IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE  
6 PROVISIONS OF THIS SECTION.  
7 1. FIRE PROTECTION SYSTEMS. (A) APPROVED DEVICES, EQUIPMENT AND  
8 SYSTEMS OR COMBINATIONS OF SYSTEMS USED TO DETECT A FIRE, ACTIVATE A  
9 FIRE ALARM, EXTINGUISH OR CONTROL A FIRE, CONTROL OR MANAGE SMOKE AND  
10 PRODUCTS OF A FIRE OR ANY COMBINATION THEREOF SHALL BE PROVIDED IN ALL  
11 RETAIL AND WHOLESALE ESTABLISHMENTS UTILIZED BY A PET DEALER TO PERMA-  
12 NENTLY OR TEMPORARILY HOUSE, SELL OR TRADE ANIMALS. FIRE PROTECTION  
13 SYSTEMS SHALL BE INSTALLED, INSPECTED, TESTED AND MAINTAINED PER APPRO-  
14 PRIATE CODES AND REFERENCED STANDARDS HEREIN: IF IN THE FIVE BOROUGHS OF  
15 THE CITY OF NEW YORK PER NEW YORK CITY BUILDING CODE AND NEW YORK CITY  
16 FIRE CODE OR OUTSIDE OF THE FIVE BOROUGHS OF THE CITY OF NEW YORK PER  
17 THE NEW YORK STATE UNIFORM FIRE PREVENTION AND BUILDING CODE AN THE  
18 STATE ENERGY CONSERVATION CONSTRUCTION CODE FOR THE CORRECT OCCUPANCY  
19 TYPE AND ANY APPROVED "MORE RESTRICTIVE LOCAL STANDARDS".

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

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1 (B) IF ANY FIRE PROTECTION SYSTEM BECOMES INOPERATIVE AT ANY TIME, THE  
2 PET DEALER SHALL TAKE IMMEDIATE ACTION TO NOTIFY THE CODE ENFORCEMENT  
3 OFFICE AND HAVE THE SYSTEM RESTORED TO PROPER WORKING ORDER.

4 2. APPLICATION. (A) THE PROVISIONS OF THIS SECTION SHALL APPLY TO  
5 EXISTING BUILDINGS AND TO BUILDINGS HEREAFTER ERECTED BUT SHALL NOT  
6 INCLUDE BUILDINGS ZONED RESIDENTIAL.

7 (B) FOR THE PURPOSES OF THIS SECTION,

8 (1) "PET DEALER" SHALL HAVE THE SAME MEANING AS "PET DEALER" AS  
9 DEFINED IN SUBDIVISION FOUR OF SECTION FOUR HUNDRED OF THIS ARTICLE, AND

10 (2) "ANIMAL" SHALL HAVE THE SAME MEANING AS "COMPANION ANIMAL" AS  
11 DEFINED IN SUBDIVISION FIVE OF SECTION THREE HUNDRED FIFTY OF THIS CHAP-  
12 TER.

13 S 2. The commissioner of agriculture and markets shall promulgate  
14 rules, regulations and standards as he or she deems necessary to imple-  
15 ment the provisions of this act on or before its effective date and, in  
16 conjunction with the appropriate agency, whether the New York state  
17 department of state code enforcement and administration division, New  
18 York city department of buildings or New York city fire department,  
19 shall establish standards for the installation, operation and inspection  
20 of fire protection systems installed pursuant to the provisions of this  
21 act.

22 S 3. This act shall take effect one year after it shall have become a  
23 law, except that buildings in existence or new construction with pres-  
24 ently approved plans as of the effective date of this act shall have  
25 until the following year to comply with the provisions of this act.