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AN ACT to amend the penal law, in relation to reckless endangerment in the first degree

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

1     Section 1. Section 120.25 of the penal law is amended to read as  
2 follows:  
3     S 120.25 Reckless endangerment in the first degree.  
4     A person is guilty of reckless endangerment in the first degree when,  
5 under circumstances evincing a depraved indifference to human life, he  
6 recklessly engages in conduct which creates a grave risk of death to  
7 another person. FOR THE PURPOSES OF THIS SECTION, IT IS DEEMED TO BE A  
8 CIRCUMSTANCE EVINCING A DEPRAVED INDIFFERENCE TO HUMAN LIFE WHEN IN A  
9 CITY WITH A POPULATION OF ONE MILLION OR MORE A PERSON LEAPS FROM A  
10 BUILDING FROM THE FIFTH STORY OR HIGHER, OR FROM ANY BRIDGE OR OTHER  
11 STRUCTURE AT A HEIGHT OF FIFTY FEET OR GREATER, WITHOUT THE WRITTEN  
12 PERMISSION FROM BOTH THE OWNER AND THE CITY. FOR PURPOSES OF THIS  
13 SECTION, WRITTEN PERMISSION FROM THE CITY SHALL MEAN AND INCLUDE A  
14 RESOLUTION OR LOCAL LAW APPROVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL, OR A PERMIT,  
15 LICENSE OR WRITTEN INSTRUMENT VALIDLY ISSUED GRANTING SUCH PERMISSION  
16 FROM THE OFFICE OF THE MAYOR OF SUCH CITY, FOR WHICH THE CITY MAY CHARGE  
17 A FEE.  
18     Reckless endangerment in the first degree is a class D felony.  
19     S 2. This act shall take effect on the thirtieth day after it shall  
20 have become a law.

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

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