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Introduced by M. of A. DINOWITZ, ENGLEBRIGHT, ORTIZ, RIVERA, JAFFEE, LIFTON -- Multi-Sponsored by -- M. of A. GOTTFRIED, THIELE -- read once and referred to the Committee on Health -- committee discharged, bill amended, ordered reprinted as amended and recommitted to said committee -- reported and referred to the Committee on Codes -- committee discharged, bill amended, ordered reprinted as amended and recommitted to said committee

AN ACT to amend the public health law, in relation to prohibiting smoking in certain outdoor areas

The People of the State of New York, represented in Senate and Assembly, do enact as follows:

1 Section 1. The public health law is amended by adding a new section
2 1399-o-2 to read as follows:

3 § 1399-o-2. Smoking restrictions; certain outdoor areas. 1. Smoking
4 shall not be permitted and no person shall smoke in any public park.

5 2. For the purposes of this section "park" shall mean:

6 (a) public parks, beaches, pools, boardwalks, marinas, playgrounds,
7 recreation centers, and group camps; and

8 (b) equipment, buildings and facilities now or hereafter under the
9 jurisdiction, charge or control of any state or local government agency
10 or department that are located at or on any property described in para-
11 graph (a) of this subdivision; provided, however, that for the purposes
12 of this section the term public park shall not include the Adirondack
13 park or the Catskill park as those terms are defined in section 9-0101
14 of the environmental conservation law.

15 3. The provisions of this section shall not apply to: (a) the side-
16 walks immediately adjoining parks, squares and public places; (b) any
17 pedestrian route through any park strip, median or mall that is adjacent
18 to vehicular traffic; (c) parking lots or roadways; (d) theatrical
19 productions; and (e) any portion of a park that is not used for park
20 purposes, except when smoking has been specifically prohibited in a

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

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1 state park or portion thereof by the office of parks, recreation and
2 historic preservation. This subdivision shall not limit the applicabil-
3 ity of any other laws to such places.

4 § 2. Section 1399-v of the public health law, as added by chapter 244
5 of the laws of 1989, is amended to read as follows:

6 § 1399-v. Penalties. The commissioner may impose a civil penalty for
7 a violation of this article in an amount not to exceed that set forth in
8 subdivision one of section twelve of this chapter. Any other enforcement
9 officer may impose a civil penalty for a violation of this article in an
10 amount not to exceed that set forth in paragraph [~~e~~] (f) of subdivision
11 one of section three hundred nine of this chapter. Notwithstanding the
12 foregoing provisions, a violation of the provisions of section thirteen
13 hundred ninety-nine-o-two of this article shall be punishable by a civil
14 penalty of fifty dollars for each violation.

15 § 3. This act shall take effect on the ninetieth day after it shall
16 have become a law.