STATE OF NEW YORK

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IN SENATE

April 13, 2020

Introduced by Sen. KENNEDY -- read twice and ordered printed, and when printed to be committed to the Committee on Labor

AN ACT to amend the labor law, in relation to requiring the use of an antimicrobial copper alloy for touch surfaces in new construction

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

Section 1. The labor law is amended by adding a new section 241-c to read as follows:

§ 241-c. New construction; solid antimicrobial copper alloy. 1. Any publicly funded construction shall include touch surfaces made from solid antimicrobial copper alloy.

2. As used in this section:

a. "Solid antimicrobial copper alloy" shall mean a solid copper alloy that:

(i) is listed under United States environmental protection agency registration number 82012-1, 82012-2, 82012-3, 82012-4, 82012-5, or 82012-6, or is otherwise identified by a unified numbering system code in an environmental protection agency registration;

(ii) has a copper content of not less than sixty weight percent; and

(iii) has a content of not more than one-tenth weight percent of each of the following: lead, chromium, and arsenic.

b. "Touch surface" shall mean any surface or fixture within a building that a person frequently comes into contact with including but not limited to: door handles, bathroom fixtures, bed rails, handrails and light switches.

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

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

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