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## IN ASSEMBLY

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Introduced by M. of A. EICHENSTEIN -- 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 creating the blue light emergency phones pilot program and  
to direct the commissioner of parks and recreation to study and report  
upon the use of such program

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

1 Section 1. The administrative code of the city of New York is amended  
2 by adding a new section 18-157 to read as follows:

3 § 18-157 Blue light emergency phones pilot program. In one park, oper-  
4 ated by or under the jurisdiction of the department, in each of the five  
5 boroughs, the department shall implement a blue light emergency phones  
6 pilot program for the purpose of public safety. Under such program, the  
7 department shall install blue lighted emergency phones that, when used,  
8 shall automatically dial 9-1-1 and ring directly to the police depart-  
9 ment.

10 § 2. The commissioner of parks and recreation shall cause a study to  
11 be performed to analyze how the implementation of blue light emergency  
12 phones pilot program in parks impacts public safety compared to parks  
13 without such a program.

14 § 3. On or before three hundred sixty-five days after all five  
15 locations identified for the blue light emergency phones pilot program  
16 have become operational, the commissioner of parks and recreation shall  
17 complete the study conducted pursuant to section two of this act and  
18 shall thereafter deliver a copy of the findings of the study and any  
19 legislative recommendations he or she deems to be necessary to the  
20 governor, the temporary president of the senate, the speaker of the  
21 assembly and the mayor of the city of New York.

22 § 4. This act shall take effect on the ninetieth day after it shall  
23 have become a law.

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

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