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Introduced by M. of A. L. ROSENTHAL -- read once and referred to the Committee on Corporations, Authorities and Commissions

AN ACT to amend the public authorities law, in relation to requiring the installation of air quality monitors in all subway stations

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

Section 1. The public authorities law is amended by adding a new section 1266-l to read as follows:

§ 1266-l. Air quality monitors in subway stations. 1. The authority shall install air quality monitors inside every subway station and real time data from each air quality monitor shall be accessible to the public on its website and in the station in which the air quality monitor is located.

2. The air quality monitors shall analyze air quality on at least ten separate occasions per day in the subway station in which they are located for the presence of fine particulates, with the air quality being analyzed at least twice during the periods when there is peak ridership during the morning and evening commutes.

3. If an air quality monitor indicates that the air quality exceeds safe levels for fine particulates, as determined by the United States environmental protection agency, the authority shall take immediate remedial action to improve air quality, including but not limited to, installing air filters and/or fans.

4. The authority in consultation with the department of health shall determine the cost of installing subway platform screen doors in subway stations with the worst air quality as determined by the air quality monitors installed pursuant to the provisions of this section.

§ 2. This act shall take effect on the one hundred eightieth 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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