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Introduced by M. of A. BENEDETTO, SAYEGH, WILLIAMS, GLICK, PICHARDO,  
L. ROSENTHAL, CRUZ, SIMON, GALEF, BRAUNSTEIN, JACKSON -- read once and  
referred to the Committee on Transportation

AN ACT to amend the general business law, in relation to prohibiting  
residential and commercial properties from operating digital bill-  
boards or signs that use flashing, intermittent or moving lights near  
residential property

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

Section 1. The general business law is amended by adding a new section  
397-b to read as follows:

§ 397-b. Digital billboards. 1. All residential and commercial proper-  
ty within fifteen hundred feet of residential property shall be prohib-  
ited from operating a digital billboard or other type of billboard or  
sign that uses flashing, intermittent or moving lights.

2. As used in this section, the term "digital billboard" shall mean a  
one or multi-sided outdoor advertising sign that displays digital images  
using light-emitting diode technology or any such similar technology.

3. A city, village, or town may, by local law, expressly restrict or  
prohibit the use of outdoor advertising signage within fifteen hundred  
feet of residential property and commercial property.

4. A violation of the provisions of this section shall be subject to a  
civil penalty of one thousand dollars for the first violation, and five  
thousand dollars for all subsequent violations.

§ 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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