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Introduced by M. of A. STIRPE, McMAHON, STECK, BRONSON, LUPARDO, GUNTHER, DARLING, OTIS -- read once and referred to the Committee on Local Governments

AN ACT to amend the general municipal law, in relation to including lakes in adopt-a-municipal park, shoreline or roadway programs

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

Section 1. The article heading of article 13-BB of the general municipal law, as added by chapter 626 of the laws of 1991, is amended to read as follows:

ADOPT-A-MUNICIPAL PARK, SHORELINE [~~OR~~], ROADWAY OR LAKE PROGRAMS

§ 2. Section 277 of the general municipal law, as added by chapter 626 of the laws of 1991, is amended to read as follows:

§ 277. Adopt-a-municipal park, shoreline [~~or~~], roadway or lake programs. 1. The governing body of any county, city, town or village is hereby authorized and empowered to authorize and direct such of its officers or agencies as it shall designate to enter into [~~adopt-a-park~~] adopt-a-municipal park, shoreline [~~or~~], roadway or lake program agreements with volunteers or groups in an effort to reduce and remove litter from its municipal parks, shorelines, roadways, lakes and other public lands. Such agreements shall include but not be limited to:

a. providing and coordinating services by volunteers or groups to reduce the amount of litter including providing trash bags and trash bag pick up and in designated areas where volunteers may be in close proximity to moving vehicles providing safety briefings and reflective safety gear; and

b. providing and installing signs identifying those volunteers or groups adopting its particular municipal parks, shorelines, roadways, lakes or other sections of public land.

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

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2. Notwithstanding any inconsistent provision of law, the county, city, town or village and its employees shall not be liable for damages suffered by any persons resulting from the actions or activities of such volunteers or groups.

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