

STATE OF NEW YORK

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IN ASSEMBLY

March 26, 2024

Introduced by M. of A. GLICK -- read once and referred to the Committee on Consumer Affairs and Protection

AN ACT to amend the general business law, in relation to the sale of bicycles with electric assist and electric scooters

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

1 Section 1. The general business law is amended by adding a new section
2 391-cc to read as follows:

3 § 391-cc. Sale of bicycles with electric assist and electric scooters.
4 1. For the purposes of this section, the following terms shall have the
5 following meanings:

6 (a) "Bicycle with electric assist" shall have the same meaning as
7 defined by section one hundred two-c of the vehicle and traffic law.

8 (b) "Electric scooter" shall have the same meaning as defined by
9 section one hundred fourteen-e of the vehicle and traffic law.

10 (c) "Fireproof battery container" shall mean a bag, box, blanket, or
11 other means of containing or covering a battery used as the principal
12 electric power source for a bicycle with electric assist or electric
13 scooter that is capable of resisting the effect of fire involving such
14 batteries and meets all minimum specifications as determined by the
15 division of homeland security and emergency services pursuant to subdi-
16 vision three of this section.

17 2. No person, firm, partnership, association, limited liability compa-
18 ny, corporation, or other entity shall sell or offer to sell a bicycle
19 with electric assist or electric scooter to a consumer unless such bicy-
20 cle with electric assist or electric scooter is sold with a fireproof
21 battery container for the safe storage of the battery used as the prin-
22 cipal electric power source.

23 3. The division of homeland security and emergency services shall
24 determine the minimum specifications and performance standards for fire-
25 proof battery containers under this section.

26 4. A violation of this section shall be punishable by a fine of two
27 hundred fifty dollars for a first violation, and five hundred dollars
28 for each subsequent violation.

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

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1 § 2. This act shall take effect immediately. Effective immediately,
2 the addition, amendment and/or repeal of any rule or regulation neces-
3 sary for the implementation of this act on its effective date are
4 authorized to be made and completed on or before such effective date.