

STATE OF NEW YORK

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2023-2024 Regular Sessions

IN SENATE

June 1, 2023

Introduced by Sen. CLEARE -- read twice and ordered printed, and when printed to be committed to the Committee on Consumer Protection -- recommitted to the Committee on Consumer Protection in accordance with Senate Rule 6, sec. 8 -- committee discharged, bill amended, ordered reprinted as amended and recommitted to said committee

AN ACT to amend the general business law, in relation to requiring retailers of bicycles with electric assist and electric batteries to provide customers with an operating manual

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; sale of electric
4 batteries. No person regularly engaged in the business of selling bicy-
5 cles with electric assist or lithium ion electric batteries at retail
6 shall sell any such bicycles or batteries without providing the purchas-
7 er an operating manual for such bicycle with electric assist or for such
8 lithium ion electric battery. Such operating manual shall be printed in
9 English and the three most common non-English languages spoken by limit-
10 ed-English proficient individuals in the state, based on the data in the
11 most recent American Community Survey published by the United States
12 Census Bureau. The manual shall include instructions on how to store
13 and charge the battery, when and where to charge the battery, and what
14 to do if the battery overheats or leaks, there is a strange odor or
15 noise associated with the battery or there is a change in the shape or
16 color of the battery, and a website address where the electronic version
17 of such manual is available in English and the twelve most common non-
18 English languages spoken by limited-English proficient individuals in
19 the state, based on the data in the most recent American Community
20 Survey published by the United States Census Bureau.

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 on the sixtieth day after it shall
2 have become a law. Effective immediately, the addition, amendment and/or
3 repeal of any rule or regulation necessary for the implementation of
4 this act on its effective date are authorized to be made and completed
5 on or before such effective date.