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Introduced by M. of A. ZINERMAN, AUBRY, HYNDMAN -- Multi-Sponsored by -- M. of A. LEVENBERG -- read once and referred to the Committee on Consumer Affairs and Protection -- 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:

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

§ 391-cc. Sale of bicycles with electric assist; sale of electric batteries. No person regularly engaged in the business of selling bicycles with electric assist or lithium ion electric batteries at retail shall sell any such bicycles or batteries without providing the purchaser an operating manual for such bicycle with electric assist or for such lithium ion electric battery. Such operating manual shall be printed in English and the three most common non-English languages spoken by limited-English proficient individuals in the state, based on the data in the most recent American Community Survey published by the United States Census Bureau. The manual shall include instructions on how to store and charge the battery, when and where to charge the battery, and what to do if the battery overheats or leaks, there is a strange odor or noise associated with the battery or there is a change in the shape or color of the battery, and a website address where the electronic version of such manual is available in English and the twelve most common non-English languages spoken by limited-English proficient individuals in the state, based on the data in the most recent American Community Survey published by the United States Census Bureau.

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

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

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