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Introduced by Sens. SERRANO, CHU, HELMING, HINCHEY, MAY, O'MARA -- read twice and ordered printed, and when printed to be committed to the Committee on Cultural Affairs, Tourism, Parks and Recreation -- recommitted to the Committee on Cultural Affairs, Tourism, Parks and Recreation 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 parks, recreation and historic preservation law and the general municipal law, in relation to farmers' markets in state and local parks

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

Section 1. Section 3.09 of the parks, recreation and historic preservation law, is amended by adding a new subdivision 24 to read as follows:

24. Encourage and promote farmers' markets which offer for sale farm and food products, as such terms are defined in section two hundred sixty of the agriculture and markets law, at state parks when such farmers' market does not harm the natural environment or integrity of the park. Such promotion shall include but not be limited to:

(a) posting information on the office's website pertaining to locations and times of operation for such farmers' markets held in state parks;

(b) identifying opportunities to expand farmers' markets to additional state park locations; and

(c) coordinating with other state agencies, including but not limited to empire state development and the department of agriculture and markets, to further the goals of this subdivision.

§ 2. This act shall take effect immediately.

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

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