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Introduced by M. of A. EPSTEIN, LUPARDO, GLICK, STIRPE, FALL, LEVENBERG, LUNSFORD, ZACCARO, DINOWITZ, KELLES, CLARK, GONZALEZ-ROJAS, DAVILA, K. BROWN -- read once and referred to the Committee on Consumer Affairs and Protection

AN ACT to amend the general business law, in relation to allowing certain reusable beverage containers in sports venues

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-r to read as follows:

3 § 391-r. Reusable beverage containers in sports venues. 1. For
4 purposes of this section, the following terms shall have the following
5 meanings:

6 (a) "reusable beverage container" means a drinking vessel that is
7 composed primarily of aluminum or stainless steel, and is designed and
8 manufactured to be capable of multiple reuses, including a bottle or
9 cup.

10 (b) "sports venue" means a building, structure, or place in which
11 professional or collegiate sporting competitions are held.

12 2. A sports venue shall not prohibit an individual attending any
13 professional or collegiate sporting competition in such sports venue
14 from bringing a reusable beverage container into the sports venue;
15 provided, however:

16 (a) a sports venue may require that reusable beverage containers be
17 empty upon entering the sports venue;

18 (b) a sports venue may require that the reusable beverage container
19 not contain a cap; and

20 (c) a sports venue may restrict reusable beverage containers capable
21 of holding more than twenty-four fluid ounces.

22 3. Any sports venue that violates this section or any rule promulgated
23 pursuant thereto shall be liable for a civil penalty not to exceed five

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

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1 hundred dollars for the first violation, and seven hundred fifty dollars
2 for any subsequent violation.

3 § 2. This act shall take effect on the one hundred twentieth day after
4 it shall have become a law.