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Introduced by Sen. SERRANO -- read twice and ordered printed, and when printed to be committed to the Committee on Environmental Conservation

AN ACT to amend the environmental conservation law, in relation to establishing a symbol to denote environmental composting

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

- 1 Section 1. The environmental conservation law is amended by new
2 section 3-0323 to read as follows:
3 § 3-0323. Composting symbol. The department shall:
4 1. develop a symbol denoting a product that is acceptable in every
5 composting facility governed by the department;
6 2. create a list of categories of products that shall bear the symbol
7 pursuant to subdivision one of this section, including but not limited
8 to single-use food containers, utensils, and wrappers, and compostable
9 plastics (not biodegradable, as differentiated from compostable); and
10 3. promulgate rules and regulations for the implementation of, and to
11 determine penalties for non-compliance with this section.
12 § 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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