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Introduced by M. of A. KIM -- read once and referred to the Committee on  
Tourism, Parks, Arts and Sports Development

AN ACT to amend the parks, recreation and historic preservation law, in  
relation to mandating the development and approval of operational  
safety plans

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

1 Section 1. The parks, recreation and historic preservation law is  
2 amended by adding a new section 3.16 to read as follows:

3 § 3.16 Operational safety plans. 1. The office shall develop and  
4 approve operational safety plans prior to the deployment of any employee  
5 in hazardous conditions. The plan shall include, but not be limited to,  
6 a comprehensive risk assessment identifying potential hazards associated  
7 with the deployment, mitigation measures to address identified risks,  
8 detailed information on team composition including roles and responsi-  
9 bilities, identification of an on-site authorized person responsible for  
10 overseeing operations, a clear chain of command for decision-making  
11 during the deployment, emergency contact information for all team  
12 members, and evacuation procedures tailored to the specific deployment  
13 scenario. The commissioner or the commissioner's designee shall review  
14 and approve all operational safety plans to ensure compliance with  
15 established safety standards, verify that the employees being deployed  
16 are adequately trained for their roles, and confirm that the operation  
17 is essential under hazardous conditions.

18 2. For the purposes of this section, "hazardous conditions" shall mean  
19 any situation that poses a significant risk to the health and safety of  
20 personnel, including but not limited to natural disasters, extreme  
21 weather, and other emergency situations.

22 § 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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