

**LOCAL LAWS  
OF  
THE CITY OF NEW YORK  
FOR THE YEAR 2013**

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**No. 79**

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Introduced by Council Members Fidler, Chin, Comrie, Dickens, Gonzalez, Koo, Lander, Mark-Viverito, Mendez, Rose, Van Bramer, Rodriguez, Brewer, Jackson, Williams, Barron, Gennaro and Mealy.

**A LOCAL LAW**

**To amend the New York city plumbing code, in relation to requiring that toilets and faucets be capable of operating without an external supply of electrical power.**

*Be it enacted by the Council as follows:*

Section 1. Section PC 424 of the New York city plumbing code is amended to add a new Section PC 424.1.3 to read as follows:

*424.1.3 Lavatory operation without external electrical power. Where automatic lavatory faucets connected to an external supply of electrical power are provided in a bathroom or toilet room, at least one lavatory faucet in such bathroom or toilet room shall be capable of normal operation in the absence of an external supply of electrical power for a period of at least two weeks, either through manual operation or built-in battery back-up. Where such automatic lavatory faucets are located in a bathroom or toilet room with a required accessible lavatory, such operational lavatory faucet shall be at such required accessible lavatory.*

**Exception:** *Section 424.1.3 shall not apply to more than one bathroom or toilet room in a dwelling unit.*

§2. Section PC 425 of the New York city plumbing code is amended to add a new Section

PC 425.1.2 to read as follows:

*425.1.2 Water closet flushing without external electrical power. Where automatic flushing devices connected to an external supply of electrical power are provided for water closets in a bathroom or toilet room, the flushing device of at least one water closet in such bathroom or toilet room shall be capable of normal operation in the absence of an external supply of electrical power for a period of at least two weeks, either through manual operation or built-in battery back-up. Where such automatic flushing devices are located in a bathroom or toilet room with a required accessible water closet, such operational flushing device shall be at such required accessible water closet.*

***Exception:** Section 425.1.2 shall not apply to more than one bathroom or toilet room in a dwelling unit.*

§3. This local law shall take effect on the same date as a local law of the city of New York for the year 2013 amending the administrative code of the city of New York, the New York city plumbing code, the New York city building code, the New York city mechanical code and the New York city fuel gas code, relating to bringing such codes up to date with the 2009 editions of the international building, mechanical, fuel gas and plumbing codes, as proposed in Intro. 1056, takes effect.

THE CITY OF NEW YORK, OFFICE OF THE CITY CLERK, s.s.:

I hereby certify that the foregoing is a true copy of a local law of The City of New York, passed by the Council on September 24, 2013 and approved by the Mayor on October 2, 2013.

MICHAEL M. McSWEENEY, City Clerk Clerk of the Council.

CERTIFICATION OF CORPORATION COUNSEL

I hereby certify that the form of the enclosed local law (Local Law No. 79 of 2013, Council Int. No. 1086-A of 2013) to be filed with the Secretary of State contains the correct text of the local law passed by the New York City Council and approved by the Mayor.

JEFFREY D. FRIEDLANDER, Acting Corporation Counsel.