

**LOCAL LAWS
OF
THE CITY OF NEW YORK
FOR THE YEAR 2024**

No. 35

Introduced by Council Members Abreu, Velázquez, Powers, Hudson, Nurse, Restler, Krishnan, Menin, Schulman, Stevens, Bottcher, Gutiérrez, Hanif, Marte, Ung, Farías, Gennaro, Avilés, Cabán, Richardson Jordan, Brooks-Powers, Joseph, Ossé, Riley, Won, De La Rosa, Brewer, Rivera, Feliz, Salamanca, Brannan, Williams, Ayala, Louis, Narcisse, Sanchez, Lee and Dinowitz (in conjunction with the Manhattan Borough President).

A LOCAL LAW

To amend the administrative code of the city of New York, in relation to allowing reusable beverage containers in sports venues

Be it enacted by the Council as follows:

Section 1. Chapter 4 of title 16 of the administrative code of the city of New York is amended by adding a new section 16-403 to read as follows:

§ 16-403 Reusable beverage containers in sports venues. a. Definitions. For purposes of this section, the following terms have the following meanings:

Reusable beverage container. The term “reusable beverage container” means a drinking vessel that is composed primarily of aluminum or stainless steel, and is designed and manufactured to be capable of multiple reuses, including a bottle or cup.

Sports venue. The term “sports venue” means a building, structure, or place in which professional or collegiate sporting competitions are held.

b. A sports venue shall not prohibit an individual attending any professional or collegiate sporting competition in such sports venue from bringing a reusable beverage container into the

sports venue, except as provided in this subdivision. A sports venue may require that reusable beverage containers be empty upon entering the sports venue. A sports venue may restrict reusable beverage containers capable of holding more than 24 fluid ounces.

c. Any sports venue that violates this section or any rule promulgated pursuant thereto shall be liable for a civil penalty recoverable in a civil action brought in the name of the commissioner or in a proceeding before the office of administrative trials and hearings pursuant to section 1049-a of the charter. Such penalties shall be in the amount of \$500 for the first violation, \$750 for the second violation committed on a different day within a period of 12 months, and \$1,000 for the third and each subsequent violation committed on different days within a period of 12 months.

§ 2. This local law takes effect 120 days after it becomes law.

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 December 20, 2023 and returned unsigned by the Mayor on January 19, 2024.

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. 35 of 2024, Council Int. No. 1161-A of 2023) to be filed with the Secretary of State contains the correct text of the local law passed by the New York City Council, presented to the Mayor and neither approved nor disapproved within thirty days thereafter.

SPENCER FISHER, Acting Corporation Counsel.