Int. No. 1097-2013

By Council Member Recchia

A LOCAL LAW

To amend the administrative code of the city of New York, in relation to requiring backup power sources for fire and life safety communications systems.

Be it enacted by the Council as follows:

Section 1. The first paragraph of subsection 700.12(A) of section 27-3025 of the administrative code of the city of New York, as added by local law number 39 for the year 2011, is amended to read as follows:

700.12(A) Storage batteries may be used as a source of power for emergency lighting systems and shall be of suitable rating and capacity to supply and maintain the total load for a minimum period of 1½ hours, without the voltage applied to the load falling below 87½ percent of normal. Storage batteries shall be used as a source of power for emergency and life safety telecommunications systems and shall be of suitable rating and capacity to supply and maintain the total load for a minimum period of 8 hours, without the voltage applied to the load falling below 87 ½ percent of normal. Storage batteries may be used for other emergency systems only where special permission is granted for such use.

§ 2. This local law shall take effect immediately.