

Int. No. 2026

By Council Members Vallone, Kallos, Chin, Rosenthal, Levin and Lander

A Local Law to amend the administrative code of the city of New York, in relation to reducing noise caused by chartered helicopters

Be it enacted by the Council as follows:

1 Section 1. Subchapter 6 of chapter 2 of title 24 of the administrative code of the city of
2 New York is amended by adding a new section 24-244.1 to read as follows:

3 § 24-244.1 Chartered helicopters. a. Definitions. For purposes of this section:

4 Chartered helicopter. The term “chartered helicopter” means a helicopter that is leased in
5 its entirety for exclusive and temporary use, and not for the purpose of conducting regular
6 sightseeing tours along flight routes approved by the federal aviation administration. The term
7 “chartered helicopter” shall not include military helicopters, media helicopters or helicopters used
8 by the fire department, police department, coast guard or emergency services.

9 Stage 1 noise level. The term “stage 1 noise level” means stage 1 noise level as such term
10 is defined by subsection (h) of section 36.1 of title 14 of the code of federal regulations.

11 Stage 2 noise level. The term “stage 2 noise level” means stage 2 noise level as such term
12 is defined by subsection (h) of section 36.1 of title 14 of the code of federal regulations.

13 b. No person shall use or permit the use of any chartered helicopter that meets stage 1 noise
14 levels or stage 2 noise levels to take off or land from any property owned or managed by the city
15 of New York, except in emergency situations or as otherwise directed by an aviation control tower
16 or air traffic control center.

17 § 2. Table I following paragraph (5) of subdivision (b) of section 24-257 of the
18 administrative code of the city of New York as amended by local law number 153 for the year
19 2013 is amended by adding a new row immediately following row 24-244 to read as follows:

<u>24-244.1</u>	<u>1,500</u>	<u>500</u>	<u>3,000</u>	<u>1,000</u>	<u>4,500</u>	<u>1,500</u>
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§ 3. This local law takes effect 180 days after it becomes law.

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