

Proposed Local Law Number 17 Of 2014

County Of Ulster

A Local Law Amending Local Law No. 9 Of 2008 (A Local Law Prohibiting Smoking Upon All Real Property Owned Or Leased By The County Of Ulster)

BE IT ENACTED, by the County Legislature of the County of Ulster, New York, as follows:

SECTION 1. LEGISLATIVE INTENT AND PURPOSE.

The Legislature of the County of Ulster previously prohibited smoking upon all real property owned or leased by the County in order to protect public health. Electronic smoking devices have become increasingly popular despite the fact that they have not been approved as to safety and efficacy by the federal Food and Drug Administration (FDA), and their use may pose a health risk to persons exposed to their smoke/vapor because of the presence of known irritants contained therein, and other substances that are potentially harmful and toxic to those inhaling the smoke/vapor. Therefore, it is the intent of this Local Law to amend Local Law No. 9 of 2008 by including the use of electronic smoking devices on property owned or leased by the County of Ulster as a prohibited activity.

SECTION 2. DEFINITIONS.

Section 3 of Local Law No. 9 of 2008 is hereby amended as follows:

“Smoking” shall mean inhaling of, exhaling of, burning of, or carrying of any lighted cigar cigarette, pipe, weed, or other plant in any manner or any form, **and shall also include the inhaling or exhaling of smoke/vapor from an electronic smoking device.**

“Electronic Smoking Devices” shall mean an electronic device that can be used to deliver nicotine or other substances to the person inhaling from the device, including but not limited to an electronic cigarette, cigar, cigarillo or pipe.

SECTION 5. EFFECTIVE DATE.

This local Law shall take effect upon filing in the Office of the Secretary of State.