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Cuomo OKs bill banning sale of smoke detectors with removable batteries

2016 is the last year you'll be able to buy smoke detectors with removable batteries.

Gov. Andrew Cuomo signed legislation late Monday that as of Jan. 1, 2017, will ban sales of such smoke detectors and require detectors with non-removable 10-year batteries to be sold. In approving the bill, Cuomo did require that the Legislature pass a chapter amendment during the 2016 legislative session to make technical fixes.

"All homes and businesses must have working smoke detectors and it is undisputed that these devices save lives," the governor wrote.

After remaining stuck in committee since 2011, the Legislature finally approved the bill last year.



"Long life, tamper resistant smoke alarms go to the core of addressing disablement and failed maintenance by consumers, and do so in a cost effective way," the Assembly version's justification memo states. "In recent years advancements have led to smoke alarms that today prevent consumer tampering and that can power the alarm for a minimum of ten years, as these alarms have become more available and affordable, requiring the replacement of existing battery operated smoke alarms with this more maintenance-free alarms will drive down fire deaths and injuries."

The state Firemen's Association applauded the bill's approval.

"We've seen time and again that working smoke alarms can be the difference between life and death," FASNY President Robert McConville said in a statement. "This law will no doubt go a long way towards ensuring New York is a safer place."

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