

No immediate ruling on bid to delay NYC soda rule

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(AP)—A judge isn't saying how soon he'll decide whether to delay enforcement of New York City's first-of-its-kind effort to limit the size of sugary drinks.

The American Beverage Association and other groups faced off with city officials Wednesday in a Manhattan courtroom. The hearing ended without an immediate ruling.

The city Board of Health agreed in September to bar restaurants, delis and some other eateries from selling [sugary drinks](#) in cups or containers bigger than 16 ounces. The rule is set to take effect March 12.

The city says it's a groundbreaking effort to fight [obesity](#).

[Opponents](#) say it's an unfair burden on businesses. They say they shouldn't have to comply until a lawsuit over the matter is resolved.

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