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A Local Law to amend the administrative code of the city of New York, in relation to requiring the New York City Administration for Children's Services to report on their success in obtaining government-issued personal identification for youth in foster care.

Be it enacted by the Council as follows:

Section 1. Chapter 9 of title 21 of the administrative code of the city of New York is amended by adding a new section 21-905 to read as follows:

21-905 Government-issued personal identification. a. For the purposes of this section the following term shall be defined as follows:

"Government-issued personal identification" means a birth certificate, Social Security card, state-issued driver's license or non-driver identification card, U.S. Permanent Resident Card, or Individual Taxpayer Identification Number.

b. Beginning no later than January 31, 2012 and no later than every January 31 thereafter, the commissioner shall submit an annual report to the city council that will include the number of children in foster care who have a form of government-issued personal identification, disaggregated by: the type of identification; the number of children who did not have such identification when they entered foster care; the number of children who obtained such identification with assistance from ACS; and, on average, the number of days it took ACS to procure such identification. The first such annual report, and any subsequent report if substantial changes are made, shall also include a description of the actions ACS takes to ensure that all children in foster

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care obtain government-issued personal identification.

§2. This local law shall take effect one hundred and eighty days after its enactment into law.

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