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A Local Law to amend the administrative code of the city of New York, in relation to requiring agencies to notify food rescue organizations before disposing of food

Be it enacted by the Council as follows:

Section 1. Section 17-306 of the administrative code of the city of New York is amended by adding a new subdivision t to read as follows:

t. "Food rescue organization." Any organization that has as its primary focus the retrieval of edible food that would otherwise be discarded from places such as restaurants, grocery stores, produce markets, or dining facilities and distributing it to local emergency food programs.

§ 2. Subchapter 2 of chapter 3 of title 17 of the administrative code of the city of New York is amended by adding a new section 17-323.1 to read as follows:

§ 17-323.1 Notification concerning confiscation of food. In the event that an agency confiscates food that is safe for human consumption, the agency shall, at least 24 hours before disposing of such food, notify at least two food rescue organizations that such organizations may retrieve all or part of such food at such organizations' expense.

§ 3. This local law takes effect immediately.

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