

New York City Council

Memorandum in Support of Legislation

This memorandum is authored by the sponsor and explains the need for the legislation referenced below, in accordance with Rule 6.00(d) of the Rules of the Council.

Introduction Number:

Int. No. 0913-2024

Prime Sponsors:

Council Member Amanda Farías

Bill Title:

A Local Law to amend the administrative code of the city of New York, in relation to raising the maximum age for taking a civil service examination to become a police officer.

Submitted by:

Council Member Amanda Farías

Justification:

As the attrition and retention rates have increased within the New York City Police Department, and have affected both the operational and strategic abilities of the New York City Police Department, public safety and the abilities of both precincts and commands to operate have been negatively affected. To ensure that talented, skilled, and experienced individuals enter our police force, in order to bring about increased public safety and operational integrity, this legislation, following New York State's maximum age increase for taking a civil service examination to become a police officer, would raise the maximum age at which someone can take the civil service exam to become a police officer from thirty-five years of age to forty-three years of age. This legislation also allows individuals who have spent time on military duty or terminal leave to subtract up to six years of service time from their age for purposes of exam eligibility.