

**LOCAL LAWS
OF
THE CITY OF NEW YORK
FOR THE YEAR 2021**

No. 136

Introduced by Council Members Dromm, Kallos, Van Bramer, Chin, Yeger, Miller and Louis.

A LOCAL LAW

To amend the administrative code of the city of New York, in relation to the notification of recording of real estate instruments

Be it enacted by the Council as follows:

Section 1. Subdivision b of section 7-628 of the administrative code of the city of New York, as added by local law number 249 for the year 2017, is amended to read as follows:

b. The department shall establish and maintain a system that provides any interested party a notification by e-mail, text message, or postal mail, that a deed-related or mortgage-related document affecting such party's interest in real property located in the city has been recorded against such property with the city register or the office of the Richmond county clerk, provided that the department has received notice of such recording from the office of the Richmond county clerk. *Such notification shall include information on actions such interested party could take if such interested party suspects that a fraudulent document has been recorded, including but not limited to, information about whom to contact for assistance, filing a complaint or reporting an alleged criminal violation.* The department shall not charge a fee for use of such notification system.

§ 2. The opening paragraph of subdivision e of section 7-628 of the administrative code of the city of New York, as added by local law number 249 for the year 2017, is amended to read as follows:

e. The department shall report on [a quarterly] *an annual* basis on the notification system established pursuant to subdivision b of this section, and shall include data for Richmond county to the extent that the department has received data from the office of the Richmond county clerk. Such report shall be submitted to the council and published on the department's website no later than the first day of [February, May, August, and] November of each year[, with the first report due November 1, 2018]. Such report shall include, but not be limited to, the following information for the prior [quarter] *year*, disaggregated by borough:

§ 3. This local law takes effect immediately, except that section one of this local law takes effect 60 days after it becomes law.

THE CITY OF NEW YORK, OFFICE OF THE CITY CLERK, s.s.:

I hereby certify that the foregoing is a true copy of a local law of The City of New York, passed by the Council on October 21, 2021 and returned unsigned by the Mayor on November 22, 2021.

MICHAEL M. McSWEENEY, City Clerk, Clerk of the Council.

CERTIFICATION OF CORPORATION COUNSEL

I hereby certify that the form of the enclosed local law (Local Law No. 136 of 2021, Council Int. No. 1919-A of 2020) to be filed with the Secretary of State contains the correct text of the local law passed by the New York City Council, presented to the Mayor and neither approved nor disapproved within thirty days thereafter.

STEPHEN LOUIS, Acting Corporation Counsel.