

THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF NEW York Finance Division Preston niblack, Director Fiscal Impact Statement

**PROPOSED INTRO. NO: 157-A** 

## COMMITTEE: Sanitation and Solid Waste Management

**TITLE:** A local law to amend the administrative code of the city of New York, in relation to yard waste.

SPONSORS: Council Members Koslowitz and The Speaker (Council Member Quinn) and Council Members Brewer, Comrie, Dromm, Fidler, Gentile, Gonzalez, James, Koppell, Lander, Lappin, Mark-Viverito, Rodriguez, Vann, Crowley, Rose, Eugene, Jackson, Nelson, Gennaro, Van Bramer, Levin, White, Recchia and Chin

**SUMMARY OF LEGISLATION: Proposed** Int. No. 157-A maintains the requirement to collect leaves and yard waste separately in both the spring and the fall; when leaf and yard waste collection resumes, leaf and yard waste collections will be required cover all NYCHA facilities, regardless of whether they are located in leaf and yard waste collection districts.

Proposed Int. No. 157-A would require the Department, in consultation with the Compost Facility Siting Task Force establish by the City's 2006 Solid Waste Management Plan, to identify sites for leaf and yard waste composting, with the goal of establishing at least one composting facility in all boroughs in which leaves and yard waste are collected. The bill also required DOS composting facilities to accept yard waste for composting from any other City Agency that has source separated such waste. The bill requires all permitted composting facilities in the City to report annually on the amounts of yard waste collected, and requires the Department to include such information in its annual recycling report to the Mayor and the Council.

Proposed Int. No. 157-A would prohibit grass clippings from being disposed of for collection as regular waste in areas where the Department provides yard waste compost collection during periods when such collection is provided. Residents may still dispose of clippings with yard waste during separate collection periods or as regular waste when the Department is not collecting yard waste separately.

**EFFECTIVE DATE:** This local law shall take effect immediately.

FISCAL YEAR IN WHICH FULL FISCAL IMPACT ANTICIPATED: 2012

FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT:				
		Effective FY11	FY Succeeding Effective FY12	Full Fiscal Impact FY12
	Revenues (+)	\$0	\$0	\$0
	Expenditures (-)	<b>\$0</b>	\$0	\$0
	Net	\$0	\$0	\$0

**IMPACT ON REVENUES:** This bill will have no impact on revenues.

**IMPACT ON EXPENDITURES:** This bill may have an impact on expenditures beginning in FY 2013, the amount of which cannot be determined at this time. There will be a cost to implement the requirements of this legislation as well as a savings from reduced residential waste tonnage as a result of the removal of yard waste from the residential waste stream.

## SOURCE OF FUNDS TO COVER ESTIMATED COSTS: N/A

**SOURCE OF INFORMATION:** City Council Finance Division

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**HISTORY:** On April 14, 2010, Proposed Intro. 157 was introduced by the Council and referred to the Committee on Sanitation and Solid Waste Management. On April 26, 2010, the Committee held a hearing regarding this legislation, which was then laid over. On July 29, 2010, the full Council will vote on Proposed Intro. 157-A

**DATE SUBMITTED TO COUNCIL:** April 14, 2010