**Plain Language Summary**

**Current Introduction Number:**

Int. No. 783

**Prime Sponsors:**

By Council Members Sanchez, Powers, Farias, Stevens, Riley, Salamanca, Dinowitz, Ayala, Velázquez, Feliz, Hudson, Abreu, Louis, Rivera, Schulman, Marte and Avilés (in conjunction with the Bronx Borough President)

**Bill Title:**

A Local Law to amend the administrative code of the city of New York, in relation to building water system maintenance and inspection

**Bill Summary:**

**This plain language summary is for informational purposes only and does not substitute for legal counsel. For more information, you should review the full text of the bill, which is available online at legistar.council.nyc.gov.**

This bill would require a large building, a building with a water device, or a building which primarily houses people older than 65 or a building that has multiple housing units and a centralized hot water system, to develop and implement a building water system or water device management program and plan to minimize the growth and transmission of Legionella bacteria in the building’s water system. This bill also lists requirements for system maintenance, inspection and testing, cleaning and disinfection, sample monitoring, recordkeeping, and reporting. The bill lays out an enforcement scheme, including DOHMH investigation and civil penalties. The bill additionally requires DOHMH to provide guidance and information sessions to building owners, and requires DOHMH to submit a report.

**Effective Date:**

This local law takes effect 180 days after it becomes law, except that the department shall take measures as are necessary for the implementation of this local law, including the promulgation of rules, before such date.

**Legislative Impact:**

[x]  **Agency Rulemaking Required**: Is City agency rulemaking required?

[x]  **Report Required**: Is a report due to Council required?

[x]  **Sunset Date Included**: Does the legislation have a sunset date?

[ ]  **Council Appointment Required**: Is an appointment by the Council required?

[ ]  **Other Appointment Required**: Are other appointments not by the Council required?

**Note:** In the full bill text online at legistar.council.nyc.gov, language in proposed consolidated laws that is enclosed by [brackets] would be deleted, and language that is underlined would be new. Language in proposed unconsolidated laws, in contrast, will not have brackets or underlining because it would be entirely new. Consolidation means that the law would be placed in the New York City Charter or Administrative Code.

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