LOCAL LAWS OF THE CITY OF NEW YORK FOR THE YEAR 2024

No. 37

Introduced by Council Members Dinowitz, Lee, Narcisse, Gutiérrez, Louis, Stevens, Hanif, Farías, Ung, Sanchez, Velázquez, Avilés, Cabán, Won and Gennaro.

A LOCAL LAW

To amend the administrative code of the city of New York, in relation to the collection of demographic data on veterans

Be it enacted by the Council as follows:

Section 1. Title 31 of the administrative code of the city of New York is amended by adding a new section 31-113 to read as follows:

- § 31-113 Demographic data collection on veterans.
- a. Any agency that requests demographic information from any person applying for services, including services provided by such agency directly or by contract, shall include on any application for such services:
- 1. A question about whether such person or any member of their household has served in the armed forces, national guard, or reserves of the United States, provided that responding to such question shall be voluntary; and
- 2. An option for any person who responds affirmatively to the question included pursuant to paragraph 1 of this subdivision to indicate whether such person consents to the department contacting them regarding services and resources for veterans.

b. Subdivision a of this section shall not apply where applicable law would prohibit an agency from modifying a form to include such question or option.

c. No later than December 15, 2024, and annually thereafter, the department shall include in the annual report required pursuant to section 31-109 the total number of persons who responded affirmatively to questions included in any application for services from any city agency, as required by paragraph 1 of subdivision a of this section, disaggregated by (i) the agency to which such person applied for services; (ii) the type of service sought; (iii) and the council district in which such person resides.

§ 2. This local law takes effect 180 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 December 20, 2023 and returned unsigned by the Mayor on January 19, 2024.

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. 37 of 2024, Council Int. No. 1237-A of 2023) 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.

SPENCER FISHER, Acting Corporation Counsel.