

THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF NEW YORK FINANCE DIVISION
PRESTON NIBLACK, DIRECTOR
FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT

Proposed Intro. No: 354-A

COMMITTEE: Education

TITLE: A Local Law to amend the New York City charter, in relation to requiring the Department of Education to provide data regarding student discharges.

SPONSORS: Council Members Jackson, Barron, Brewer, Cabrera, Chin, Dickens, Dromm, Eugene, Fidler, Gentile, James, Koppell, Lander, Mark-Viverito, Mealy, Nelson, Palma, Rose, Sanders Jr., Seabrook, Williams, Koslowitz, Lappin, Rodriguez, Vann, Crowley, Foster, Levin, Mendez, Halloran and Ulrich

SUMMARY OF LEGISLATION: Proposed Int. 354-A would amend the New York City Charter to require the Department of Education (DOE) to make reports to the City Council about students discharged from public schools.

The DOE would be required to report annually and post on its website a report which identifies the number of students discharged or transferred during the previous school year from each school, including any and all discharge and transfer codes utilized by the district and disaggregated by cohort for grades 9-12 and by grade for students in grades 6-8. The report would include, but not be limited to: the total number of students discharged from each school in grades 9-12: disaggregated by graduation year cohort, age, race and ethnicity, gender, English language learner status and special education status; disaggregated by discharge, transfer, and graduation codes used by the Department; and discharged from each school in grades 6-8 disaggregated by grade, race and ethnicity, gender, English language learner status and special education status, and disaggregated by discharge, transfer, and graduation codes used by the Department. The report would also include the total number of students in grades 6-12: discharged to parochial or private schools; enrolled in school at correctional facilities or detention programs; and who are discharged and receiving special education services. All of this information would be aggregated citywide, as well as disaggregated by borough and community school district.

EFFECTIVE DATE: This local law would take effect ninety days after its enactment into law.

FISCAL YEAR IN WHICH FULL FISCAL IMPACT ANTICIPATED: N/A

FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT:

	Effective FY12	FY Succeeding Effective FY13	Full Fiscal Impact FY13
Revenues	\$0	\$0	\$0
Expenditures	\$0	\$0	\$0
Net	\$0	\$0	\$0

IMPACT ON REVENUES: There would be no impact on revenues resulting from the enactment of this legislation. Intro 354-A

IMPACT ON EXPENDITURES: It is estimated that there would be minimal to no impact on expenditures resulting from the enactment of this legislation. The Administration estimates the Department of Education would need to hire a research associate to comply with this bill, resulting in a total annual cost of \$89,104. However, Council Finance believes the Department could comply with this legislation using existing resources.

SOURCE OF FUNDS TO COVER ESTIMATED COSTS: N/A

SOURCE OF INFORMATION: City Council Finance Division

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HISTORY: Introduced as Intro. 354 by the Council on September 29, 2010 and referred to the Committee on Education. A hearing was held by the Committee on Education and the legislation was laid over by the Committee on January 25, 2011. An amendment has been proposed, and the legislation is scheduled to be voted out of the Education Committee and the Full Council on June 27, 2011 as Proposed Int. 354-A.

DATE SUBMITTED TO COUNCIL: September 29, 2010

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