



**THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF NEW YORK
FINANCE DIVISION**

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FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT

PROPOSED INTRO. NO: 738-A

COMMITTEE: Housing and Buildings

TITLE: A Local Law to amend the administrative code of the city of New York, in relation to a qualification for gas work

SPONSOR(S): Council Members Levine, Crowley, Ferreras-Copeland, Mendez, Cohen, Constantinides, Vallone, Palma, Cornegy, Johnson, Gentile, Rosenthal, Torres, Lancman, Van Bramer, Richards, Cabrera, Espinal, Kallos, Gibson, Vacca, Dromm, King, Reynoso, Chin, Koslowitz, Rodriguez, Rose, Menchaca, Lander, Levin and Ulrich

SUMMARY OF LEGISLATION: Proposed Intro. 738-A would require that, beginning on January 1, 2020, work on gas piping systems must be performed by 1) a licensed master plumber, 2) by a person with a gas work qualification issued by the Department of Buildings (“DOB”) who is working under the continuing supervision of a licensed master plumber, or 3) a person with a limited gas work qualification issued by the DOB who is working under the immediate supervision of a person with a gas work qualification or a licensed master plumber. The legislation would also set forth the standards by which gas work qualification and limited gas work qualifications would be issued.

EFFECTIVE DATE: This local law would take effect immediately.

FISCAL YEAR IN WHICH FULL FISCAL IMPACT ANTICIPATED: Fiscal 2018

FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT:

	Effective FY17	FY Succeeding Effective FY18	Full Fiscal Impact FY18
Revenues	\$0	\$0	\$0
Expenditures	\$0	\$0	\$0
Net	\$0	\$0	\$0

IMPACT ON REVENUES: It is estimated that there would be no impact on revenues resulting from the enactment of this legislation. Under the legislation, DOB would not charge an application fee for a gas work qualification if the applicant is registered as a journeymen or is applying for journeymen plumber registration. As such, this estimate assumes DOB would not collect revenue related to application fees. In addition, under the legislation, DOB would establish a procedure for applying for journeymen registration, which may include a fee for persons who are not registered journeymen or applying for journeymen plumber registration, but these fees are not mandated under this legislation, and thus not assumed in this cost estimate.

IMPACT ON EXPENDITURES: It is anticipated that there would be no impact on expenditures resulting from the enactment of this legislation because existing resources would be used to implement the provisions of this local law.

SOURCE OF FUNDS TO COVER ESTIMATED COSTS: Not applicable.

SOURCE OF INFORMATION: New York City Council Finance Division

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LEGISLATIVE HISTORY: This legislation was introduced to the full Council on March 31, 2015 as Intro. No. 738 and was referred to the Committee on Housing and Buildings. A hearing was held by the Committee on Housing and Buildings on April 12, 2016 and the bill was laid over. The legislation was subsequently amended, and the amended version, Proposed Intro. 738-A, will be considered by the Committee on Housing and Buildings on November 15, 2016. Following a successful Committee vote, the bill would be submitted to the full Council for a vote on November 16, 2016.

DATE PREPARED: November 14, 2016