



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

**LATONIA MCKINNEY, DIRECTOR**

**FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT**

**PROPOSED INTRO. NO: 1088-A**

**COMMITTEE: Housing and Buildings**

**TITLE:** A Local Law to amend the administrative code of the city of New York, in relation to periodic inspections of gas piping systems

**SPONSOR(S):** Council Members Espinal, Williams, Levine, Palma, Rose, Richards, Rodriguez, Crowley, Constantinides, Rosenthal, Mendez, Torres, Salamanca, Menchaca, Lander, Cohen, Van Bramer, Levin, Ulrich and Borelli

**SUMMARY OF LEGISLATION:** The proposed legislation would require that owners of buildings with exposed portions of gas piping systems have such systems periodically inspected by a licensed master plumber or under the supervision of one. Inspections would be required at least once every five years beginning January 1, 2019.

Following an inspection, the licensed master plumber would be required to submit a report of the inspection and certification that the inspection has been completed to the building owner. Building owners would be required to submit the report to the gas utility company and submit a certification to DOB that the inspection was completed, that any conditions requiring correction were corrected, and that the report was submitted to the gas utility.

Lastly, the legislation would authorize DOB to charge filing fees for the certifications.

The legislation would exempt residential buildings classified in occupancy group or R-3 and would require initial inspections for new buildings after ten years.

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

**FISCAL YEAR IN WHICH FULL FISCAL IMPACT ANTICIPATED:** Fiscal 2019

**FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT:**

	<b>Effective FY17</b>	<b>FY Succeeding Effective FY18</b>	<b>Full Fiscal Impact FY19</b>
<b>Revenues</b>	\$0	\$0	\$0
<b>Expenditures</b>	\$0	\$0	\$0
<b>Net</b>	\$0	\$0	\$0

**IMPACT ON REVENUES:** It is estimated that there would be no impact on revenues resulting from the enactment of this legislation. While DOB may impose a fee for filing and review of compliance reports, 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 February 24, 2016 as Intro. No. 1088 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. 1088-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 10, 2016