

**LOCAL LAWS  
OF  
THE CITY OF NEW YORK  
FOR THE YEAR 2017**

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**No. 173**

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Introduced by Council Members Cabrera, Salamanca, Richards, Cornegy, Grodenchik, Kallos, Barron and Rosenthal.

**A LOCAL LAW**

**To amend the administrative code of the city of New York, in relation to requiring the administration for children's services to provide video conferencing for youth in secure detention facilities**

*Be it enacted by the Council as follows:*

Section 1. Chapter 9 of title 21 of the administrative code of the city of New York is amended by adding a new section 21-912 to read as follows:

*§ 21-912 Video conferencing in secure detention facilities. ACS shall establish and operate a program that permits youth in secure detention facilities to communicate through video conference or substantially similar technology with family, as defined by ACS, or legal guardians, except when the facility director determines that such communication is detrimental to the youth or not consistent with public safety. Video conferences shall be held primarily for the purpose of discharge planning, treatment, and rehabilitative conversations.*

§2. This local law takes effect 18 months 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 August 24, 2017 and approved by the Mayor on September 8, 2017.

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. 173 of 2017, Council Int. No. 1452-A of 2017) to be filed with the Secretary of State contains the correct text of the local law passed by the New York City Council and approved by the Mayor.

STEPHEN LOUIS, Acting Corporation Counsel.