

CITY COUNCIL
CITY OF NEW YORK

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TRANSCRIPT OF THE MINUTES

Of the

COMMITTEE ON HEALTH

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November 15, 2017
Start: 10:38 a.m.
Recess: 11:00 a.m.

HELD AT: Committee Room - City Hall

B E F O R E:
COREY D. JOHNSON
Chairperson

COUNCIL MEMBERS:
Rosie Mendez
Mathieu Eugene
Peter A. Koo
James Vacca
James G. Van Bramer
Inez D. Barron
Robert E. Cornegy, Jr.
Rafael L. Espinal, Jr.

A P P E A R A N C E S (CONTINUED)

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CHAIRPERSON JOHNSON: Good morning

everyone. I am Council Member Corey Johnson, chair of the New York City Council's Committee on Health. Today the Committee will be voting on legislation relating to the documentation of annual water tank inspections and the reporting of such inspections.

Proposed Introduction 657-A, sponsored by Council Member Dan Garodnick, would require building owners to submit annual water tank inspection reports to DOHMH and would require the Department of Health and Mental Hygiene to post annual inspection documentation to its website and the City's Open Data Portal. The bill requires DOHMH to provide guidance on its website to assist users in determining whether a building is required to conduct water tank inspections and how to submit a complaint about a water tank or water from a water tank.

Proposed Introduction 657-A would require DOHMH to submit a report on water tank inspections to the Council on an annual basis and require that such reports include data on the number of inspection results received and the number of results that

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2 demonstrate compliance with the health-related
3 requirements for water tanks.

4 I'd like to thank my colleague, Council
5 Member Garodnick for his continued dedication over
6 the years with this important public health issue and
7 he is not here today. So with that, I have no
8 further statements; I would ask the clerk to call the
9 roll.

10 COMMITTEE CLERK: Committee Clerk Matthew
11 DiStefano [sp?], Committee on Health, roll call on
12 Intro 657-A. Chair Johnson.

13 CHAIRPERSON JOHNSON: I vote aye.

14 COMMITTEE CLERK: Eugene.

15 COUNCIL MEMBER EUGENE: I vote aye and I
16 would like to add my name to this bill, please.

17 COMMITTEE CLERK: Vacca.

18 COUNCIL MEMBER VACCA: I vote aye.

19 COMMITTEE CLERK: Van Bramer.

20 COUNCIL MEMBER VAN BRAMER: Aye.

21 COMMITTEE CLERK: Cornegy.

22 COUNCIL MEMBER CORNEGY: Aye.

23 COMMITTEE CLERK: By a vote of 5 in the
24 affirmative, 0 in the negative and no abstentions,
25 the item has been adopted.

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CHAIRPERSON JOHNSON: We're gonna keep
the vote open until -- what time is it right now?
It's 10:40 -- we're gonna keep the vote open till 11
a.m. Okay? Thank you very much.

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COUNCIL MEMBER CORNEGY: The hearing on
the Committee on Health is finally adjourned. Thank
you.

[gavel]

C E R T I F I C A T E

World Wide Dictation certifies that the foregoing transcript is a true and accurate record of the proceedings. We further certify that there is no relation to any of the parties to this action by blood or marriage, and that there is interest in the outcome of this matter.



Date November 22, 2017