

**LOCAL LAWS
OF
THE CITY OF NEW YORK
FOR THE YEAR 2007**

No. 55

Introduced by Gennaro, Avella, Brewer, Fidler, James, Koppell, Liu, Mark-Viverito, McMahon, Recchia Jr., Sanders Jr., Weprin, White Jr., Yassky, Monserrate, Nelson, Lappin, Vallone Jr., Gonzalez, Foster, Vacca, Martinez, Gioia, Garodnick, Rivera, Eugene, deBlasio, Jackson, Gentile, Katz, Mealy, Sears and The Public Advocate (Ms. Gotbaum).

A LOCAL LAW

To amend the administrative code of the city of New York, in relation to reducing greenhouse gas emissions.

Be it enacted by the Council as follows:

Section 1. Title 24 of the administrative code of the city of New York is amended by adding a new chapter 8 to read as follows:

CHAPTER 8

NEW YORK CITY CLIMATE PROTECTION ACT

§24-801	<i>Short title.</i>
§24-802	<i>Definitions.</i>
§24-803	<i>Reduction of greenhouse gas emissions that contribute to global warming.</i>
§24-804	<i>Education and outreach.</i>
§24-805	<i>Annual report.</i>

§24-801 Short title. This chapter shall be known and may be cited as the “New York City Climate Protection Act”.

§24-802 Definitions. For purposes of this chapter only, the following terms shall have the following meanings:

- a. “Base year for citywide emissions” means calendar year 2005.

- b. “Base year for city government emissions” means calendar year 2006. global warming. If the office determines that such emissions reduction is not feasible despite the best efforts of city government, such office shall report such findings and make recommendations with respect to policies, programs and actions that may be undertaken to achieve such reductions.
- b. Reduction of emissions for city government operations. (1) There shall be, at minimum, a thirty percent reduction in city government emissions by calendar year 2017, relative to such emissions for the base year for city government emissions.
- (2) The emissions reduction required by paragraph one of this subdivision shall be achieved through the applicable policies, programs and actions included in the plaNYC 2030, and any additional policies, programs and actions to reduce greenhouse gas emissions that contribute to global warming. If the office determines that such emissions reduction is not feasible despite the best efforts of city government, such office shall report such findings and make recommendations with respect to policies, programs and actions that may be undertaken to achieve such reductions.
- c. Carbon dioxide equivalent emission inventories. (1) No later than September 17, 2008, and no later than every September 17 thereafter, the office shall complete and post on its website an inventory and analysis of citywide emissions measured in carbon dioxide equivalent for the previous calendar year, and shall calculate the percentage of change in citywide emissions measured in carbon dioxide equivalent for such calendar year, relative to such emissions for the base year for citywide emissions.
- (2) No later than September 17, 2008 and no later than every September 17 thereafter, the office shall complete and post in its website an inventory and analysis of city government emissions measured in carbon dioxide equivalent for the fiscal year ending in the previous calendar year, and shall calculate the percentage of change in city government emissions measured in
- b. changes in city government emissions measure in carbon dioxide equivalent achieved for the fiscal year ending in the previous calendar year, relative to such emissions for the base year for city government emissions disaggregated according to city agency;
- c. a description of the programs developed and implemented in accordance with subdivision d of section 24-803 of this chapter and a list of the entities participating in such programs of which the office is aware; and

d. a description of the education and outreach activities developed and implemented pursuant to section 24-804 of this chapter.

§2. If any provision of this local law is, for any reason, declared unconstitutional or invalid, in whole or in part, by any court of competent jurisdiction, such portion shall be deemed severable, and such unconstitutionality or invalidity shall not affect the validity of the remaining provisions of this law, which remaining provisions shall continue in full force and effect.

§3. This local law shall take effect immediately.

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 November 28, 2007 and approved by the Mayor on December 5, 2007.

Michael McSweeney, First Deputy City Clerk
Acting City Clerk of the Council.

CERTIFICATION PURSUANT TO MUNICIPAL HOME RULE LAW §27

Pursuant to the provisions of Municipal Home Rule Law §27, I hereby certify that the enclosed Local Law (Local Law 055 of 2007, Council Int. No. 20-A) contains the correct text and:

Received the following vote at the meeting of the New York City Council on November 28, 2007:
48 For, 0 Against, 0 Not Voting

Was signed by the Mayor on December 5, 2007

Was returned to the City Clerk on December 5, 2007.

Jeffrey D. Friedlander, Acting Corporation Counsel.