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A Local Law to amend the administrative code of the city of New York, in relation to requiring the Department of Consumer Affairs to establish a uniform rating system for retail food stores.

Be it enacted by the Council as follows:

Section 1. Subchapter two of chapter five of title twenty of the administrative code of the city of New York is amended by adding a new section 20-711.1 to read as follows:

§ 20-711.1. Rating system for retail food stores. a. For the purpose of this section, "retail food store" shall mean a store selling primarily food and food products for consumption or use off the premises. The term does not include stores that sell only pre-packaged, non-potentially hazardous foods, food service establishments, or food and beverage vending machines.

b. Within one hundred and eighty days of the effective date of the local law that added this section, the department shall create a uniform rating system for retail food stores, and shall rate all retail food stores in New York city. Ratings shall be based on the retail food stores' violations of the provisions contained in this subchapter including, but not limited to, violations related to the following: (i) item pricing; (ii) pricing accuracy; (iii) scanner accuracy; and (iv) shelf pricing.

c. Required posting of rating. Retail food stores shall conspicuously post such rating in a location, size and style to be determined by the commissioner.

§ 2. This local law shall take effect immediately upon enactment.