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A Local Law in relation to reporting on shelter food consumption, and providing the repeal thereof.

Be it enacted by the Council as follows:

Section 1. a. Definitions. For the purposes of this local law, the following terms have the following meanings:

City. The term “city” means the city of New York.

Shelter. The term “shelter” means temporary housing assistance provided to homeless adults, adult families, families with children, migrants, and runaway and homeless youth by the city or a provider under contract or similar agreement with the city.

b. Annual report on shelter food consumption. No later than June 1, 2025, and annually thereafter for 5 years, an office or agency designated by the mayor shall submit to the speaker of the council and the mayor a report on the amount of food consumed relative to the amount of food provided at each shelter. Such report shall, at a minimum:

1. Identify the locations of all shelters used in the study;
2. Identify the cost of food for each shelter;
3. Assess the quality of food for each shelter;
4. Calculate the percentage of food consumed relative to the amount of food served, for each shelter, and in the aggregate; and

5. Recommend actions to the city could take to improve quality of food for shelters and identify cost

effective methods of providing food to shelters.

§ 2. This local law takes effect immediately and expires and is deemed repealed upon the submission of the fifth annual report required by section one of this local law.

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