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A Local Law to amend the administrative code of the city of New York, in relation to requiring the commission on human rights to educate the public on various types of bias-related harassment.

Be it enacted by the Council as follows:

Section 1. Section 8-102 of the administrative code of the city of New York, as amended by local law 10 of 2008, is amended by adding a new subdivision 26 to read as follows:

(26) The term “cyberbullying” means willful and repeated harm inflicted through the use of computers, cell phones, and other electronic devices that is intended to frighten, harass, cause harm to, extort, or otherwise target another.

§2. Subdivision one of section 8-105 of the administrative code of the city of New York, as amended by local law 39 of 1991, is amended to read as follows:

(1) To work together with federal, state, and city agencies in developing courses of instruction, for presentation to city employees and in public and private schools, public libraries, museums and other suitable places, on techniques for achieving harmonious intergroup relations within the city of New York, on types of bias-related harassment and repeated hostile behavior including conduct or verbal threats, taunting, intimidation, abuse, and cyberbullying, and to engage in other anti-discrimination activities.

§3. This local law shall take effect sixty days after its enactment into law.

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