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A Local Law to amend the administrative code of the city of New York, in relation to requiring the police department to issue public reports on the department's enforcement of public health orders

Be it enacted by the Council as follows:

Section 1. Title 14 of the administrative code of the city of New York is amended by adding a new section 14-182 to read as follows:

§14-182 Enforcement of public health orders. a. Definitions. For the purposes of this section, the following terms have the following meanings:

Public health emergency. The term "public health emergency" means any declared state of emergency made in response to an outbreak of an infectious disease.

Public health enforcement action. The term "public health enforcement action" means any civil enforcement or criminal enforcement regarding compliance with a public health order.

Public health order. The term "public health order" means any state or local order requiring individuals to take certain precautions when in public in order to mitigate the spread of an infectious disease, including but not limited to the utilizing of face coverings or the maintaining of adequate distance between individuals while in public.

Public health task force. The term "public health task force" means any group of departmental employees assigned primarily to enforce or monitor compliance with a public health order.

b. By the end of Monday every week, during any period during which a public health order is in effect, the department shall submit to the speaker of the council, and make publicly available on the department's

website, a report related to the department's public health enforcement actions for the preceding seven days. Such report shall be submitted in a machine-readable format and stored permanently on the department's website, and include the following information for each public health enforcement action:

1. The date and time of such action;

2. The location of such action, including latitude and longitude if available, but in all cases at least as specific as the nearest intersection;

3. The outcome of the such action, including but not limited to whether a civil summons was issued, a criminal summons was issued, or an arrest occurred;

4. Whether a use of force incident as defined in section 14-158 occurred related to such action, and if so, what use of force category was involved; and

5. The race, gender, and age of the individual subject to such action.

c. The reports required by subdivision b of this section shall also contain the following information regarding public health enforcement actions for the preceding 7 day period, the preceding month, and the entire duration of the public health order:

1. Location of such actions, disaggregated by zip code and precinct;

2. Outcomes of such actions, in total and disaggregated by the type of summons issues or whether an arrest occurred;

3. Whether a use of force incident as defined in section 14-158 occurred during such actions, further disaggregated by the category of such use of force;

4. The race and gender of the individual subject to such actions; and

5. The age of the individual subject to such actions in the following categories: under 18, 19-29, 20-30, 40-49, 50-59, 60 and over.

d. The reports required by subdivision b of this section shall also contain the following information regarding public health enforcement actions for the preceding 7 day period, the preceding month, and the entire

duration of the public health order: the geographic deployment of any public health task force, including but not limited to the number of officers and shifts such task force was deployed, in total and disaggregated by police precinct.

§2. This local law takes effect immediately.

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