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A Local Law to amend the administrative code of the city of New York, in relation to requiring posters with information on food allergy in food service establishments.

Be it enacted by the Council as follows:

Section 1. Chapter 1 of title 17 of the administrative code of the city of New York is amended by adding a new section 17-195 to read as follows:

§17-195. Food allergy posters. a. Definitions. 1. “Covered languages” shall mean Chinese, English, Korean, Russian and Spanish, and any other language determined by the department.

2. “Food service establishment” shall have the meaning as such term is defined in section 81.03 of the health code of the city of New York, except that it shall apply exclusively to restaurants where food is sold and space is designated specifically as an eating area.

b. The department shall create a poster containing information on food allergy to be posted in food service establishments. Such poster shall be printed in the covered languages and shall be made available by the department to food service establishments.

c. Every food service establishment shall post, in accordance with the rules of the department, the poster containing information on food allergy created by the department pursuant to subdivision b of this section in a conspicuous location accessible to all employees involved in the preparation of food and the service of food.

d. The department may charge a fee to cover printing, postage and handling expenses in connection with making the poster available to food service establishments.

e. Any food service establishment that violates subdivision c of this section or any of the rules promulgated thereunder shall be liable for a civil penalty not to exceed one hundred dollars for each violation.

§2. This local law shall take effect one hundred eighty days after its enactment into law, provided that the commissioner may promulgate any rules necessary for implementing and carrying out the provisions of this section prior to its effective date.

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