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A Local Law to amend the administrative code of the city of New York, in relation to requiring the installation of traffic calming devices adjacent to senior centers and naturally occurring retirement communities.

Be it enacted by the council as follows:

Section 1. Subchapter three of chapter 1 of title 19 of the administrative code of the city of New York is amended by adding a new section 19-183.1 to read as follows:

§ 19-183.1 Installation of traffic calming devices on streets adjacent to senior centers and naturally occurring retirement communities. a. Definitions: For the purposes of this section, the following terms shall have the following meanings:

1. “Senior Center” shall have the same meaning as in section 21-201 of this code.

2. “Naturally Occurring Retirement Community” shall mean an apartment building, housing complex, or housing development (i) not originally built for senior citizens; (ii) not restricted in admissions solely to the elderly; and (iii) with an occupant who is a senior citizen in at least fifty percent of the units or with at least two thousand five hundred residents who are senior citizens.

b. The commissioner shall annually install at least one traffic calming device on not less than fifty block segments that are adjacent to a senior center or naturally occurring retirement community, as determined by the commissioner in consultation with the department for the aging.

c. After evaluating areas adjacent to every senior center and naturally occurring retirement community in the city for the installation of traffic calming devices pursuant to subdivision b of this section, the

commissioner may, consistent with subdivision d of this section, determine not to install any further traffic calming devices and shall inform the speaker of the council in writing of such determination and the reasons therefore; provided, however, that the commissioner shall evaluate the need to install one or more traffic calming devices on roadways adjacent to any senior center or naturally occurring retirement community created after such determination. The commissioner shall provide to the council, on or before July 1, 2015, and annually thereafter, a report detailing the locations at which such devices have been placed.

d. The commissioner may decline to install any traffic calming device that is otherwise required by this section if such installation would, in the commissioner's judgment, endanger the safety of motorists or pedestrians or not be consistent with the department's guidelines regarding the installation of traffic calming devices.

§2. This local law shall take effect ninety days after enactment into law.

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