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A Local Law in relation to requiring the commissioner of transportation to study safety risks posed by the coexistence of bicycle lanes and school bus routes on city streets

Be it enacted by the Council as follows:

Section 1. Definitions. For purposes of this local law, the term “commissioner” means the commissioner of transportation.

§ 2. Study. The commissioner shall study whether and to what extent the coexistence of bicycle lanes and school bus routes on city streets poses safety risks to bicyclists, children who ride school buses or both. The commissioner shall conduct the study in consultation with staff from relevant city agencies, including but not limited to the department of education. The commissioner shall consider whether changes to school bus design, school bus lanes or bicycle lanes would address any safety risk identified or other potential risk.

§ 3. Report. a. No later than 270 days after the effective date of this local law, the commissioner shall submit a report to the mayor and the speaker of the council setting forth its findings, as well as recommendations for legislation and policy to address any safety risks and other identified challenges. The report shall include a summary of information considered in formulating any conclusions or recommendations.

b. The commissioner shall publish the report electronically on the department of transportation website no later than 10 days after submission to the mayor and the speaker of the council.

§ 4. Agency support. Each agency affected by this local law shall provide appropriate staff and resources to support the work of such agency related to the study.

§ 5. Effective date. This local law takes effect immediately.

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