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By Council Members Vallone, Constantinides, Koo and Ulrich

A Local Law to amend the administrative code of the city of New York, in relation to veteran identification cards.

Be it enacted by the Council as follows:

Section 1. Subchapter 3 of chapter 1 of title 3 of the administrative code of the city of New York is amended by adding a new section 3-132 to read as follows:

§ 3-132 Veteran identification cards. a. For the purposes of this section, the following definitions shall apply:

1. "Administering agency" shall mean any city agency, office, department, division, bureau or institution of government, the expenses of which are paid in whole or in part from the city treasury, as the mayor shall designate.

2. "Qualified applicant" shall mean any veteran who seeks to obtain a veteran identification card as authorized by this chapter and who has met all requisite qualifications and provided all relevant documentation

for the issuance of a veteran identification card as provided by this section.

3. “Veteran” shall mean a person who has served in the active duty military of the United States and who has been released from such service otherwise than by dishonorable discharge.

b. The administering agency shall establish, produce and issue a veteran identification card to all qualified applicants. Such card shall display the name, signature and photograph of such applicant and indicate that the card was issued to a veteran.

c. In order to obtain a veteran identification card, an applicant shall complete an application requiring proof of such applicant's identity and veteran status, as well as any other information deemed necessary by the administering agency. The administering agency shall prescribe the form of such application, as well as the acceptable proofs of identity and veteran status.

d. All information obtained from applications received shall be maintained in a database maintained by the department. Such database shall not be available for public examination.

e. Prior to distribution of any veteran identification card, the administering agency may charge a qualified applicant a fee. Such fee shall not exceed the administrative costs reasonably associated with the production of such card.

§ 2. This local law shall take effect ninety days after it shall have been enacted into law.

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