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Int. No. 989

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## Be it enacted by the Council as follows:

Section 1. Chapter 2 of title 12 of the administrative code of the city of New York is amended by adding a new section 12-213 to read as follows:

§ 12-213 Language of civil service exams. a. Definitions. For the purposes of this section, the term "department" means the department of citywide administrative services.

b. The department, in consultation with relevant agencies, shall identify all civil service positions that do not require fluency in English for which the department offers an exam and shall provide such exams in each

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of the designated citywide languages, as defined in section 23-1101.

c. For the civil service exams identified pursuant to subdivision b, the department shall consult with the

office of immigrant affairs and community-based organizations to determine additional languages, other than

the designated citywide languages, in which to offer such exams, based on the needs of a sizeable population in

the city who primarily speak such additional languages.

d. For the civil service exams identified pursuant to subdivision b, the department shall allow exam

takers to request the exam in the language of their choice. The department shall provide the exam in the

requested language or provide a written rationale for why the exam cannot be offered in the requested language.

e. The department and the office of immigrant affairs shall conduct outreach and education about the

provisions of this section.

§ 2. This local law takes effect immediately, except that subdivision d of section 12-213 of the

administrative code of the city of New York, as added by section one of this local law, takes effect 180 days

after it becomes law.

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