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A Local Law to amend the administrative code of the city of New York, in relation to requiring the department of education to distribute information on college savings plans to all students.

Be it enacted by the Council as follows:

Section 1. Subchapter one of chapter two of title three of the administrative code of the city of New York is amended by adding a new section 3-209.2 to read as follows:

§3-209.2 Distribution of college-savings plan materials. a. Definitions. For the purposes of this section:

1. "Department" shall mean the department of education.

2. "School" shall mean any public school in the city of New York under the jurisdiction of the

department of education that contains any combination of grades from and including kindergarten through grade twelve.

b. The department shall develop materials containing information regarding college savings plans. At a minimum, such materials shall include information on (i) college-savings programs available to students including, but not limited to, information regarding New York's 529 college savings program and (ii) general information regarding tuition at colleges under the authority of the city university of New York and at colleges under the authority of the state university of New York and financial aid eligibility. Such materials shall be produced and distributed by the department to each school for distribution to every student of such school upon his or her entry into kindergarten, grade six and grade nine and to every student upon his or her entry into a school as a new student.

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c. The department shall ensure that materials developed pursuant to subdivision b of this section are provided to all schools in sufficient quantity to satisfy the requirements of subdivisions b and d of this section.

d. The department shall ensure that such written materials are available in the main or central office in each school and that such materials are available on the department's website for students and parents who wish to obtain such materials.

§2. This local law shall take effect one hundred twenty days after its enactment.

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