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By The Speaker (Council Member Mark-Viverito) and Council Members Chin, Arroyo, Constantinides, Gentile, Lander, Palma, Richards, Rose, Vallone, Wills, Rosenthal, Menchaca, Deutsch, Miller, Rodriguez, Van Bramer, Koslowitz, Kallos and Williams

A Local Law to amend the administrative code of the city of New York, in relation to requiring the development of a guide for building owners regarding aging in place

Be it enacted by the Council as follows:

Section 1. Chapter 2 of title 21 of the administrative code of the city of New York is amended by adding new section 21-205 to read as follows:

§ 21-205 Aging in place guide. In consultation with the department of buildings, the department of housing preservation and development, the mayor's office for people with disabilities, and businesses and nonprofit organizations with expertise in design for dwelling units occupied by older adults, the department shall develop, distribute, and publish on its website, not later than July 1, 2016, a guide for building owners regarding modifications and improvements that may be made to dwelling units to allow tenants to safely remain in such units for as long as possible as such tenants age. Such guide shall include, but not be limited to, information relating to: improving access for individuals with limited mobility; lighting, railings and grab bars; technological enhancements; and widening of doorways and hallways. Such guide shall also include information on available public and private sources of funding, including information on eligibility criteria and how to apply for such funding, to assist building owners in making modifications and improvements.

§ 2. This local law takes effect immediately.

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