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By Council Members Levin and Koo

A Local Law to amend the administrative code of the city of New York, in relation to requiring that all new and substantially renovated buildings conduct blower door testing

Be it enacted by the Council as follows:

Section 1. Chapter 3 of Title 28 of the administrative code of the city of New York is amended by adding a new article 318 to read as follows:

**ARTICLE 318**

**BLOWER DOOR TESTING**

**§ 28-318.1 Required blower door testing.** For any building undergoing new construction or substantial improvement, as such term is defined in appendix G of the New York city building code, to determine building envelope air leakage the owner shall conduct a blower door test that is verified by an independent third-party who is approved by the department. Such owner shall report, in a form developed or approved by the department, the results of each blower door test to the department no later than 90 days after the completion of such test. The department shall adopt rules and/or reference standards governing such blower door tests.

**§ 28-318.1.1 Reporting on blower door testing.** The department shall make publicly available online in a non-proprietary format that permits automated processing the following information, at a minimum, for each blower door test result received by the department:

1. The date of such test;
2. The borough, block and lot number, and street address, of the building upon which such test was conducted;
3. The envelope air leakage of such building as indicated by the results of such test;
4. The floor area of such building; and
5. The main use or dominant occupancy of such building.

§ 2. This local law takes effect 120 days after it becomes law, except that the commissioner of buildings

shall take such steps as are necessary for its implementation, including the promulgation of rules, prior to such effective date.

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