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A Local Law to amend the administrative code of the city of New York, in relation to prohibiting discrimination in public contracting

Be it enacted by the Council as follows:

Section 1. Chapter 1 of title 6 of the administrative code of the city of New York is amended to add a new section 6-129.1 to read as follows:

§ 6-129.1 Nondiscrimination in public contracting. a. For purposes of this section, the term “contract” means any agreement, purchase order or other instrument whereby the city is committed to expend or does expend funds in return for goods, services or construction.

b. It is unlawful for an agency to deny a contract because of the actual or perceived race, creed, color, national origin, age, gender, disability, sexual orientation or alienage or citizenship status of the owners of the bidder or proposer.

c. This section does not prohibit any agency from giving preference in the award of a contract to bidders or proposers owned by persons protected by the provisions of this section, when such preference is required or permitted by any law or regulation of the United States, the state of New York or the city of New York.

d. A bidder or proposer who believes that a violation of the requirements of this section has occurred may protest an agency determination pursuant to the rules of the procurement policy board.

§ 2. This local law takes effect immediately.

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