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By Council Member Levin

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 319 to read as follows:

ARTICLE 319

BLOWER DOOR TESTING

§ 28-319.1 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 approved by the department. Such owner shall report, in a form developed and 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.

§ 28-319.2 Reporting on blower door testing. The department shall make available on its website, in a non-proprietary format that permits automated processing, information on each blower door test result received by the department, including but not limited to:

1. The date of such test;

2. The borough, block and lot number, and street address, of the building where 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; provided, however, that the commissioner of buildings shall take all actions necessary for its implementation, including the promulgation of rules, before such date.

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