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A Local Law to amend the New York city charter, in relation to requiring notice of building code, fire code, and health code violations in public schools

Be it enacted by the Council as follows:

Section 1. Chapter 20 of the New York city charter is amended by adding a new section 530-g to read as follows:

§ 530-g Notification requirements, fire, building, and health code violations. a. For the purposes of this section, the following terms have the following meanings:

1. "Department" means the department of education.

2. "Public school" means any school in a building owned or leased by the department, including charter schools, that contains any combination of grades from kindergarten through grade twelve.

b. The department shall notify the parents or guardians of students and the employees in any public school that has been inspected by the department of buildings, the fire department, or the department of health and mental hygiene. Such notifications shall include the results of such inspections and any violations of the New York city building code, the New York city fire code, or the New York city health code identified in connection with such inspections. Such notifications shall be provided within seven days of the department receiving the results of any such inspection. The department shall also post such notifications on the department's website within seven days of receiving such inspection results.

c. The notifications required pursuant to subdivision b of this section shall include information setting forth the steps the department has taken and will take to address violations, including the timeframe during which such violations were or will be addressed. If such steps are not completed within such timeframe then the department shall notify such parents or guardians and employees of the new timeframe for such steps. The

department shall also notify such parents or guardians and employees within seven days of the date such steps to address such violations are completed. The department shall also post such information on the department's website at the same time such information and notifications are provided to parents or guardians and employees.

d. The department shall provide the notifications required pursuant to subdivisions b and c of this section to the New York city council member representing the district in which the school is located at the same time such notifications are provided to such parents or guardians and employees.

§ 2. This local law takes effect 60 days after its enactment into law.

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