



Legislation Text

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By Council Members Espinal and Lander

A Local Law to amend the New York city charter, in relation to adding members to the nightlife advisory board

Be it enacted by the Council as follows:

Section 1. Subdivision f of section 20-d of chapter 1 of the New York city charter, as added by local law number 178 for the year 2017, is amended to read as follows:

f. Nightlife advisory board. 1. There shall be a nightlife advisory board to advise the mayor and the council on issues relating to nightlife establishments. The advisory board shall identify and study common issues and trends relating to the nightlife industry and shall make recommendations, as appropriate, to the mayor and the council on ways to improve laws and policies that impact nightlife establishments. The nightlife advisory board shall examine the following: (i) the regulatory structure of the nightlife industry; (ii) common complaints regarding nightlife establishments; (iii) public safety concerns related to the nightlife industry; (iv) the enforcement of nightlife industry-related laws and rules; (v) zoning and other community development concerns related to the nightlife industry; (vi) integration of the nightlife industry into the city's various neighborhoods; (vii) nightlife workforce conditions, including but not limited to, wages and workforce safety; (viii) the availability and responsiveness of the office of nightlife to the concerns of nightlife establishments; and (ix) any other issues the nightlife advisory board finds are relevant.

2. The nightlife advisory board shall consist of [12]14 members, of whom [eight]nine members shall be appointed by the speaker of the council and [four]five by the mayor. Such board shall provide reasonable notice of its meetings to the director, who may attend such meetings and may coordinate the attendance of relevant

agency heads or their designees.

3. All members shall serve for a term of two years and may be removed by the appointing official for cause. Upon appointment of all the members, the nightlife advisory board shall elect a chair from its membership by a majority vote of such advisory board. Any vacancy on the nightlife advisory board shall be filled in the same manner as an original appointment.

4. The nightlife advisory board shall keep a record of its deliberations and determine its own rules of procedure, which shall include a procedure or mechanism by which members of the public may make submissions to the board. The first meeting of the nightlife advisory board shall be convened within 120 days after the effective date of the local law that added this section.

5. Within 18 months of the effective date of the local law that added this section, the nightlife advisory board shall submit recommendations to the mayor and the council. After such date, the nightlife advisory board may submit recommendations to the mayor and the council as appropriate.

§ 2. This local law takes effect immediately.

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