



Legislation Text

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By the Public Advocate (Mr. Williams) and Council Member Kallos

A Local Law to amend the administrative code of the city of New York, in relation to requiring the police department to submit to council reports relating to motor vehicle stops.

Be it enacted by the Council as follows:

Section 1. Chapter one of title 14 of the administrative code of the city of New York is amended to add a new section 14-170, to read as follows:

§14-170. Motor vehicle stop report.

a. Definitions. For the purpose of this section "motor vehicle stop" means:

(1) any instance in which a police officer directs an operator of a motor vehicle of any type traveling on any highway or road to stop and in which the operator or passenger is detained for any period of time; and

(2) any instance in which a police officer for any reason detains for any period of time a person or persons in a motor vehicle, regardless of whether the vehicle was stopped at the direction of a police officer.

b. Reporting requirement. On a quarterly basis the department shall submit to the council a report indicating the total number of motor vehicle stops for each patrol precinct, housing police service area, and highway division. Such report shall be disaggregated by the race and gender of the operator of the motor vehicle that was stopped and shall indicate whether or not such stop resulted in an arrest or summons of such operator. For each motor vehicle stop listed in the report, the department shall also provide the factors leading up to each motor vehicle stop.

c. The reports prepared pursuant to this section shall be provided to the council within 30 days of the end of the reporting period to which the reports correspond or for which the relevant data may be collected, whichever is later and shall be contemporaneously made available via the department's website.

§2. This local law shall take effect 30 days after its enactment into law.

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