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A Local Law to amend the administrative code of the city of New York, in relation to emergency evacuation preparedness for individuals with disabilities or limited mobility

Be it enacted by the Council as follows:

Section 1. The administrative code of the city of New York is amended by adding a new section 15-134 to read as follows:

§ 15-134. Emergency evacuation planning for individuals with limited mobility. By March 1, 2019, the department, in consultation with the office of emergency management and the mayor's office for people with disabilities, and in conjunction with fire code emergency preparedness requirements for apartment buildings, shall develop a planning checklist to be provided to residents in group R-2 occupancies, including individuals with disabilities or limited mobility, to assist in the development of individualized emergency evacuation plans. Such checklist shall inform residents about the availability of evacuation assistance devices and other means of evacuation, and outline recommended measures that individuals with disabilities or limited mobility can proactively take to prepare to safely evacuate a building in case of emergency, such as identifying neighbors who can provide assistance in an emergency. Such checklist shall be made available on the department's website and included in the emergency preparedness guides required by the fire code to be distributed to the residents of such buildings.

§ 2. This local law takes effect immediately.