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A Local Law to amend the New York city charter, in relation to the creation of an office of cyber command

Be it enacted by the Council as follows:

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

§ 20-F Office of cyber command. a. Definitions. For the purposes of this section, the following terms have the following meanings:

Cyber-attack. The term “cyber-attack” means the attempt, or successful completion of an attempt, to damage, destroy, gain access without permission, or deny service to a computer or computer system, whether physical or virtual.

Cyber-security. The term “cyber-security” means the protecting of information by preventing, detecting, and responding to cyber-attacks.

Critical infrastructure system. The term “critical infrastructure system” means either physical or virtual systems and assets, the incapacity or destruction of which would have a debilitating impact on cyber-security, economic security, public health or safety.

b. The mayor shall establish an office of cyber command. Such office may, but need not, be established in the executive office of the mayor and may be established as a separate office or within any department the head of which is appointed by the mayor. Such office shall be headed by a director who shall be appointed by the mayor and who shall serve as the chief information security officer of the city.

c. Powers and duties. The director, in coordination with the commissioner of information technology and telecommunications, shall have the power and duty to:

1. establish cyber-security policies and standards for the mayoral agencies;
2. provide guidance on cyber-security to the mayor and mayoral agencies;
3. ensure the compliance of mayoral agencies with cyber-security policies and standards as well as the deployment of related technical and administrative controls;
4. direct responses to cyber-attacks;
5. mitigate cyber-attacks or cyber-attack threats; and
6. prioritize the execution of such duties for critical infrastructure systems.

§ 2. This local law takes effect immediately.

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