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By Council Member Dromm

A Local Law to amend the administrative code of the city of New York, in relation to requiring the department of education to distribute traffic safety information to students and report on school safety information

Be it enacted by the Council as follows:

Section 1. Title 21-A of the administrative code of the city of New York is amended by adding a new chapter 27 to read as follows:

CHAPTER 27

DISTRIBUTION OF TRAFFIC SAFETY INFORMATION

§ 21-998 Traffic safety information. a. Definitions. As used in this section, the following terms have the following meanings:

School. The term “school” means a school of the city school district of the city of New York.

Student. The term “student” means any pupil under the age of twenty-one as of September 1 of the academic year being reported, who does not have a high school diploma and who is enrolled in a district school or charter school within the city district.

Traffic accident. The term “traffic accident” means a crash between a motor vehicle and a pedestrian, bicyclist or other motorist.

b. Traffic safety materials. No later than September 1, 2019, and annually thereafter, the department shall develop written materials containing information about traffic safety. Such materials shall include the following information in plain and simple language:

1. Information and safety tips for walking to and from a school;

2. Information and safety tips for biking or riding any other type of non-motorized vehicle to and from a school; and

3. Information and safety tips for riding in a car, bus or other motor vehicle to and from a school.

c. Distribution of traffic safety information. 1. The department shall distribute the traffic safety materials required by subdivision b of this section to each school, for distribution to every student of such school, in hard copy. The department shall provide such materials to each school before commencement of the academic year. The department shall ensure that such materials are provided to all schools in sufficient quantity to satisfy the requirements of this subdivision.

2. Each school shall distribute the traffic safety materials provided by the department in paragraph 1 of this subdivision to each student at such school at the beginning of the academic year.

d. Reporting. No later than August 31, 2019, and annually thereafter, the department shall submit to the mayor and the speaker of the council a report on the following, disaggregated by school:

1. School arrival and dismissal policies;

2. The number and locations of crossing guards planned for the upcoming academic year; and

3. Information on traffic accidents occurring within 2,000 feet of a school for the preceding academic year.

§ 2. This local law takes effect 90 days after it becomes law.

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