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A Local Law in relation to a pilot program to review school start times to reduce adolescent sleep deprivation

Be it enacted by the Council as follows:

Section 1. School start time reporting. a. On or before September 30, 2020, the department of education shall submit to the mayor and the speaker of the council a report regarding the department's pilot program to review school start times and to determine the effect of such start times on adolescent health and well-being.

b. Such report shall contain the following information:

1. The name of each school that participated in the pilot program;

2. The start times of each school that participated in the pilot program;

3. How such schools were selected for participation in the pilot program, including a description of any community outreach conducted in the selection of schools; and

4. The results of the pilot program, including but not limited to:

(a) Whether the department of education solicited feedback from the students, teachers and staff at the schools participating in the pilot program, and a summary of any such feedback, disaggregated by each school;

(b) Key findings regarding the effects of changing the start times at the schools participating in the pilot program, including any effects on student attendance and lateness and other applicable outcomes;

(c) A description of any community outreach regarding the results of the pilot program conducted by the department of education in the communities in which the schools participating in the pilot program are located, and a summary of any feedback received based on such outreach;

(d) Whether the department of education intends to continue or expand the pilot program;

(e) Whether the department of education recommends changes to start times system wide; and

(f) Any recommendations regarding whether continued reporting on the topic of school start times is

necessary and appropriate.

§ 2. This law takes effect immediately and is deemed repealed 120 days after submission of the report required by section 1 of this local law.

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