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A Local Law to amend the administrative code of the city of New York, in relation to microbusinesses

Be it enacted by the Council as follows:

Section 1. Section 22-1001 of the administrative code of the city of New York is amended by adding a new definition of “microbusiness” in alphabetical order to read as follows:

Microbusiness. The term “microbusiness” means a business that employs no less than one employee and no more than nine employees.

§ 2. Microbusiness reports. a. No later than January 15, 2020, the department of small business services shall submit the number of microbusinesses, as defined by section 22-1001 of the administrative code of the city of New York, known to be doing business in the city, to the speaker of the council.

b. Such information shall be disaggregated by:

1. Borough and zip code; and
2. Industry, pursuant to the most recent industry classifications standards of the north American industry classification system.

c. The department shall also report on a sample of microbusiness in the city that the department of small business services shall survey to identify issues specific to microbusinesses. The sample shall include at least ten microbusinesses in each borough.

1. Such report shall include, but not be limited to, information related to: (i) types of items commonly sold or services offered; (ii) length of time businesses typically operate at one location; (iii) common lease

terms; (iv) challenges faced during lease renewal periods for such leases; and (v) utilization of e-commerce options and alternative sales options

2. Such report shall submitted to the speaker of the council and mayor no later than July 15, 2020.

§ 3. This local law takes effect immediately.

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