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By Council Members Chin, Kallos, Ayala, Gibson, Lander, Powers and Rivera

A Local Law to amend the administrative code of the city of New York, in relation to a plan to identify and enroll seniors eligible for supplemental nutrition assistance benefits

Be it enacted by the Council as follows:

Section 1. Section 21-131.1 of the administrative code of the city of New York, as added by local law number 134 for the year 2017, is amended by adding a new subdivision e to read as follows:

e. The annual report required in subdivision d of this section shall:

1. Identify the specific barriers to enrolling and recertifying eligible seniors who would benefit from participation in the supplemental nutrition assistance program, with particular consideration given to seniors who are unable to travel to senior centers, whether due to physical limitation or lack of access to transportation or other reason, and seniors who are not receiving other city-provided services; and

2. Set forth the department's plan, developed in collaboration with the department for the aging, to overcome such barriers to enrollment and recertification, including, but not limited to, any plan to implement a mobile enrollment and recertification program to reach eligible seniors who are unable to travel to senior centers and who are not receiving other city-provided services.

§ 2. This local law takes effect immediately.

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