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A Local Law to amend the administrative code of the city of New York, in relation to the establishment of an office to provide support to those in need of burial assistance

Be it enacted by the Council as follows:

Section 1. Chapter 1 of title 21 of the administrative code of the city of New York is amended by adding a new section 21-110.2 to read as follows:

§ 21-110.2 Office of burial services. a. The department shall establish an office to provide support and, where eligible, financial assistance to survivors, next of kin, legally responsible relatives, friends or other designated entities of deceased indigent or unclaimed persons who require information about, and help facilitating the disposal of, decedent remains through public burial, accessing public burial, a burial allowance or any similar program. Such office shall provide services including, without limitation, explaining the availability of public burial options and assistance in applying for a burial allowance.

§ 2. This local law takes effect June 15, 2020, except that the commissioner of social services may take such measures as are necessary for the implementation of this local law, including the promulgation of rules, before such date.

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