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A Local Law to amend the New York city charter, in relation to the disqualification of persons from holding an elected city office for certain felony convictions

Be it enacted by the Council as follows:

Section 1. The New York city charter is amended by adding a new chapter 50-A to read as follows:

CHAPTER 50-A

QUALIFICATION FOR ELECTED OFFICE

§ 1139 Qualification for Elected Office. In addition to any disqualifications for holding civil office in section 3 of the public officers law, no person shall be eligible to be elected to, or hold, the office of mayor, public advocate, comptroller, borough president or council member who has been convicted, provided such conviction has not been vacated pursuant to the criminal procedure law or title 28 of the United States code or pardoned by the governor pursuant to section 4 of article IV of the New York state constitution or the president pursuant to section 2 of article 2 of the United States constitution, of a felony, including an attempt or conspiracy to commit a felony, defined in:

1. sections 155.30, 155.35, 155.40, and 155.42 of the penal law, if the property stolen consisted in whole or in part of public funds;
2. section 666 of title 18 of the United States code;
3. section 1001 of title 18 of the United States code, if such felony was committed through the use of, or in connection with, such person's elected office;

4. sections 1341, 1343 and 1346 of title 18 of the United States code; or

5. section 1951 of title 18 of the United States code.

§ 2. This local law takes effect immediately.

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