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A Local Law to amend the administrative code of the city of New York, in relation to requiring the department of education to report on funding for restorative justice programming and services

Be it enacted by the Council as follows:

Section 1. Chapter 25 of title 21-A of the administrative code of the city of New York is amended by adding a new section 21-992.1 to read as follows:

§ 21-992.1 Restorative justice funding. a. Definitions. For purposes of this section, the following terms have the following meanings:

Restorative justice. The term “restorative justice” means an approach to discipline that focuses on repairing harm, with an emphasis on learning and community involvement.

School. The term “school” means a school of the city school district of the city of New York.

b. No later than September 30, 2023, and annually thereafter, the department shall submit to the speaker of the council and post on the department’s website a report on department funding to implement restorative justice programming and services for the prior school year.

c. The report required in subdivision b of this section shall include the following information for each school:

1. The amount of funding provided to implement restorative justice programming and services;

2. The specific restorative justice programs and services offered, whether or not such programs and services were utilized by students in the applicable year;

3. The amount of such funds that were not spent; and

4. The number of students, disaggregated by gender, race or ethnicity, English language learner status, and special education status.

d. No information that is otherwise required to be reported pursuant to this section shall be reported in a manner that would violate any applicable provision of federal, state, or local law relating to the privacy of student information or that would interfere with law enforcement investigations or otherwise conflict with the interest of law enforcement. If a category contains between 1 and 5 students, or allows another category to be narrowed to between 1 and 5 students, the number shall be replaced with a symbol. A category that contains zero shall be reported as zero, unless such reporting would violate any applicable provision of federal, state or local law relating to the privacy of student information.

§ 2. This local law takes effect immediately.

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