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A Local Law to amend the administrative code of the city of New York, in relation to the creation of a residential fire emergency response guide

Be it enacted by the Council as follows:

Section 1. Chapter 1 of title 15 of the administrative code of the city of New York is amended by adding a new section 15-148 to read as follows:

§ 15-148 Residential fire emergency guide. a. No later than July 1, 2024, the commissioner, in consultation with the commissioner of emergency management and any other relevant agencies, shall develop and maintain a residential fire emergency response guide for residents affected by a fire emergency. The commissioner shall update information provided in the guide as necessary.

b. The guide developed pursuant to subdivision a of this section shall include the following information:

1. A summary of relevant agencies and their roles following a residential fire;
2. Information pertaining to post-fire inspections;
3. Information on any city, state, or federal organizations or agencies that provide emergency aid to individuals displaced by residential fires;
4. Information on any city, state, or federal organizations or agencies that provide emergency housing to individuals displaced by residential fires, disaggregated by borough;
5. Landlord duties and tenant protections following a residential fire; and
6. Best practices regarding renters' insurance and suspending utilities for residential tenants displaced

by or affected by a residential fire.

c. The commissioner shall print and distribute the guide developed pursuant to subdivision a of this section to displaced or otherwise affected tenants following residential fires. Responding firefighters shall be required to distribute the guide developed pursuant to subdivision a of this section to displaced or otherwise affected tenants on location following residential fires. The commissioner shall publish the guide on the department's website in the designated citywide languages as defined in section 23-1101.

d. The commissioner, commissioner of housing preservation and development, and any other relevant agencies shall be required to distribute the guide developed pursuant to subdivision a of this section to displaced or otherwise affected tenants on location of all post-fire inspections.

§ 2. This local law takes effect immediately.

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