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A Local Law in relation to requiring the provision of official waste containers at no cost to certain residential buildings with 2 or fewer dwelling units, and providing for the repeal of such local law upon the expiration thereof

Be it enacted by the Council as follows:

Section 1. a. Definitions. For purposes of this local law, the following terms have the following meanings:

Administering agency. The term “administering agency” means the department of sanitation or an agency or office designated by the mayor to administer the requirements established by this local law.

Eligible building. The term “eligible building” means a residential building containing 2 or fewer dwelling units for which the owner of such building received a real property tax exemption pursuant to section 425 of the real property tax law or a school tax relief credit pursuant to subsection (eee) of section 606 of the tax law in tax year 2024 or tax year 2025.

Official waste container. The term “official waste container” means a rigid receptacle with a tight-fitting lid that an eligible building may use to set out residential waste at the curb for collection by the department of sanitation in accordance with section 1-02.5 of title 16 of the rules of the city of New York.

b. Subject to appropriation, the administering agency shall, upon request submitted to the administering agency, make available official waste containers at no cost for an eligible building, up to the number of official waste containers determined pursuant to paragraph 4 of subdivision d of this local law.

c. Subject to appropriation, the administering agency shall establish a program to provide reimbursement, upon request submitted to the administering agency, for the purchase of official waste containers, up to the number of official waste containers determined pursuant to paragraph 4 of subdivision d of this local law. Such reimbursement program shall be available for purchases of official waste containers made prior to the effective date of this local law for up to 1 year after the effective date of this local law.

d. The administering agency shall promulgate rules as necessary to implement this local law. Such rules shall include, but not be limited to:

1. Procedures for a person to request official waste containers at no cost;
2. Procedures for a person to request reimbursement for purchase of official waste containers;
3. Specifications as to which persons may request official waste containers, or reimbursement for purchase thereof, on behalf of an eligible building;
4. The number of official waste containers necessary to contain the wastes accumulated in an eligible building during a period of 72 hours based on the number of dwelling units in such eligible building; and
5. The factors used to determine the number of official waste containers in paragraph 4 of this subdivision.

§ 2. No later than October 1, 2026, the administering agency shall submit to the mayor and the speaker of the council a report on the implementation of this local law. Such report shall include, but not be limited to: (i) the number of requests for official waste containers received by the administering agency; (ii) the number of official waste containers the administering agency made available to eligible buildings pursuant to this local law; (iii) the number of requests for reimbursement for purchase of official waste containers received by the administering agency; and (iv) the number of reimbursements the administering agency made available pursuant to this local law.

§ 3. This local law takes effect August 1, 2025. Section one of this local law expires and is deemed repealed on September 1, 2026, and section two of this local law expires and is deemed repealed upon the

submission of the report required by such section of this local law.

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