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A Local Law to amend the administrative code of the city of New York, in relation to campaign contributions delivered by intermediaries and recordkeeping requirements for fundraisers

Be it enacted by the Council as follows:

Section 1. Subdivision 12 of section 3-702 of the administrative code of the city of New York, as amended by local law number 34 for the year 2007, is amended to read as follows:

12. The term “intermediary” shall mean an individual, corporation, partnership, political committee, employee organization or other entity which, (i) other than in the regular course of business as a postal, delivery or messenger service, delivers any contribution from another person or entity to a candidate or other authorized committee; or (ii) solicits contributions to a candidate or other authorized committee where such solicitation is known to such candidate or [his or her] such candidate’s authorized committee. For purposes of clause (i) of this subdivision, contributions delivered by an intermediary include a contribution that is submitted electronically directly to a candidate or other authorized committee by a person or entity using a personalized hyperlink provided to such person or entity by such intermediary for such purpose. For purposes of clause (ii) of this subdivision only persons clearly identified as the solicitor of a contribution to the candidate or [his or her] the candidate’s authorized committee shall be presumed to be known to such candidate or [his or her] such candidate’s authorized committee. “Intermediary” shall not include spouses, domestic partners, parents, children, or siblings of the person making such contribution, or [any] a fundraising agent, as such term is defined in the rules of the board [or any hosts of a campaign sponsored fundraising event paid for in whole or

in part by the campaign. Where there are multiple individual hosts for a non-campaign sponsored event, the hosts shall designate one such host as the intermediary].

§ 2. Subdivision 1 of section 3-703 of the administrative code of the city of New York is amended by adding a new paragraph p to read as follows:

(p) maintain records for any fundraising events, including the date and location of the event; the individual or organization, other than the candidate's authorized committee, that is the host of the event; an itemized list of all expenses incurred for or relating to the event, including any such expenses not paid or incurred by the authorized committee; and, for each contribution received at or for the event, the name of the contributor and amount of such contribution. Such records shall be provided to the board no later than a date specified by the board by rule.

§ 3. Section 3-708 of the administrative code of the city of New York is amended by adding a new subdivision 12 to read as follows:

12. If the board creates a digital fundraising platform through which contributions by a person or entity to a candidate or other authorized committee may be collected, such platform shall include a function that permits a candidate to generate a report of all contributions submitted using a specific personalized hyperlink.

§ 4. This local law takes effect January 1, 2026.

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