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A Local Law to amend the administrative code of the city of New York, in relation to a report on urban park rangers

Be it enacted by the Council as follows:

Section 1. Chapter 1 of title 18 of the administrative code of the city of New York is amended by adding a new section 18-144.1 to read as follows:

§ 18-144.1 Report on urban park rangers. a. Definitions. As used in this section, the term "urban park ranger" means an employee of the department who patrols a park or other property under the jurisdiction of the department to promote public safety, provide security, or enforce laws and rules of the department, and who may provide educational or recreational programming in such a park or property, including a parks enforcement patrol officer.

b. No later than July 31, 2026, and quarterly thereafter, the department shall submit to the mayor and speaker of the council a report on urban park rangers in accordance with this section. Such report shall include, but need not be limited to:

1. The number of urban park rangers employed by the department;

2. The number of urban park rangers assigned to each borough;

3. The number of positions for urban park rangers that are vacant;

4. Each park or other property under the jurisdiction of the department to which the department

deployed an urban park ranger during the preceding 3 months;

5. Each park or other property, other than a park or property under the jurisdiction of the department, to which the department deployed an urban park ranger during the preceding 3 months; and

6. The number of civil summonses issued by urban park rangers during the preceding 3 months, disaggregated by offense, and by park or other property where such ranger issued such summons.

§ 2. This local law takes effect immediately.

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