



**THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF NEW YORK
FINANCE DIVISION**

LATONIA MCKINNEY, DIRECTOR

FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT

PROPOSED INTRO. NO: 1566-A

COMMITTEE: Immigration

TITLE: A Local Law to amend the New York city charter, in relation to expanding the office of immigrant affairs

SPONSORS: Council Members Dromm, Rodriguez, and the Speaker (Council Member Mark-Viverito)

SUMMARY OF LEGISLATION: Proposed Intro. 1566-A would expand the roles and scope of the Mayor’s Office of Immigrant Affairs (MOIA). This bill would require MOIA to carry out the following additional duties: conduct research and advise the Mayor and the Council on challenges that immigrants face; establish a state and federal affairs unit to analyze changes in law or policy that impact immigrant affairs; consult with relevant City agencies and the Office of Civil Justice (OCJ) to respond to legal needs of immigrants; participate in interagency efforts related to the handling of confidential information about individuals held by city agencies and contractors; and consult with, and advise, city agencies on U and T visa certification standards and protocols. Additionally, this bill would require MOIA to report annually to the Council and post online a report regarding the City’s immigrant population and the activities of the office during the previous calendar year. Such report would include, but not be limited to, the following: the size and composition of the City’s immigrant population; the needs of immigrant population, including legal, social services, housing, public benefits, education, and workforce development; information about barriers to accessing such services; information and metrics for MOIA’s programmatic initiatives, disaggregated by program and service type; and information regarding the number of requests for U and T visa certifications received, request processing times, and number of certifications issues, disaggregated by agency.

EFFECTIVE DATE: This local law would take effect 60 days after it becomes law.

FISCAL YEAR IN WHICH FULL FISCAL IMPACT ANTICIPATED: Fiscal 2019

FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT:

	Effective FY18	FY Succeeding Effective FY19	Full Fiscal Impact FY19
Revenues	\$0	\$0	\$0
Expenditures	\$0	\$0	\$0
Net	\$0	\$0	\$0

IMPACT ON REVENUES: It is anticipated that there would be no impact on revenues as a result of this legislation.

IMPACT ON EXPENDITURES: It is anticipated that there would be no impact on expenditures as a result of this legislation because existing resources would be used to implement the legislation.

SOURCE OF FUNDS TO COVER ESTIMATED COSTS: N/A

SOURCE OF INFORMATION: New York City Legislative Affairs

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LEGISLATIVE HISTORY: This legislation was introduced to the Council on April 25, 2017 as Intro. No. 1566 and referred to the Committee on Immigration. A hearing was held jointly by the Committee on Immigration, the Committee on Education, and the Committee on Public Safety on April 26, 2017 and the bill was laid over. The legislation was subsequently amended and the amended version, Proposed Intro. No. 1566-A, will be voted on by the Committee on Immigration at a hearing on September 6, 2017. Upon successful vote by the Committee, Proposed Intro. No. 1566-A will be submitted to the full Council for a vote on September 7, 2017.

DATE PREPARED: September 5, 2017