

## The New York City Council

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to post a quarterly report regarding the department's

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commissioner of the department of correction to post a quarterly report regarding the department's

grievance system.

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9/16/2015	*	Committee on Fire and Criminal Justice Services	Amended by Committee	
9/16/2015	Α	Committee on Fire and Criminal Justice Services	Approved by Committee	Pass
9/17/2015	Α	City Council	Approved by Council	Pass
9/17/2015	Α	City Council	Sent to Mayor by Council	
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A Local Law to amend the administrative code of the city of New York, in relation to requiring the commissioner of the department of correction to post a quarterly report regarding the department's grievance system.

Be it enacted by the Council as follows:

Section 1. Chapter 1 of title 9 of the administrative code of the city of New York is amended by adding a new section 9-136 to read as follows:

§ 9-136 Grievance statistics. a. Definitions. For the purposes of this section, the following terms have the following meanings:

Grievance. The term "grievance" means a written complaint submitted by an inmate in the custody of the department about an issue, condition, practice or action relating to the inmate's confinement that is subject to the inmate grievance and request program or any successor program.

Inmate grievance and request program. The term "inmate grievance and request program" means a formal process established by the department that provides inmates with the opportunity to resolve issues regarding their confinement through a structured process.

b. Forty-five days after the quarter beginning January 1, 2016, and no later than the forty-fifth day after the end of each subsequent quarter, the commissioner shall post on the department website a report containing the following information for the preceding quarter:

- 1. The number of grievances submitted in all departmental facilities, in total and disaggregated by the facility and housing area type in which such grievance was submitted.
- 2. The number of grievances submitted in all departmental facilities, disaggregated by grievance category, by the facility and housing area type in which such grievance was submitted, and by the method by which such grievance was submitted.
- 3. The number of grievances, the stages of the grievance process, the stage in the grievance process at which they were resolved, and the categories for which any grievances were dismissed.
  - 4. The number of inmates that submitted grievances.
  - § 2. This local law takes effect immediately.

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