

**LOCAL LAWS
OF
THE CITY OF NEW YORK
FOR THE YEAR 2016**

No. 158

Introduced by Council Members Williams, Palma, Richards, Gentile, Rodriguez, Crowley, Rosenthal, Menchaca, Cohen, Van Bramer, Levin, Kallos and Ulrich.

A LOCAL LAW

In relation to a temporary waiver of penalties for violations relating to fuel gas piping systems and appliances that are promptly repaired

Be it enacted by the Council as follows:

Section 1. a. The commissioner of buildings shall establish a temporary fuel gas violation resolution program. Such program shall allow owners of buildings with fuel gas piping systems or appliances that were designed, installed, modified or maintained in violation of any provision of the New York city construction codes, or rules promulgated pursuant thereto, to bring such systems or appliances into compliance with such codes and rules without the imposition of civil or criminal penalties.

b. Eligibility to participate in such program shall be restricted to building owners who (i) own one or more buildings in the city in which fuel gas piping systems or appliances have been, on or before the effective date of this local law, designed, installed, modified or maintained in violation of the New York city construction codes, or rules promulgated thereto, and (ii) before the end of the sixth month that commences after the effective date of this local law, commence work to bring all fuel gas piping systems and appliances under the control of such owner into compliance with the New York city construction codes and rules promulgated pursuant thereto; provided that such work is diligently carried out and completed to the satisfaction of such commissioner.

c. Notwithstanding any other local law or rule, no civil or criminal penalty shall be imposed for a violation of the New York city construction codes, or rules promulgated pursuant thereto, issued on or after the effective date of this local law and relating to fuel gas piping systems or appliances for a building under the control of a building owner participating in such program.

d. The commissioner of buildings shall conduct outreach to building owners concerning such program and shall post information regarding such program on the website of the department of buildings.

§ 2. This local law takes effect 120 days after it becomes law, except that the commissioner of buildings may promulgate rules or take other actions for the implementation of this local law prior to such effective date.

THE CITY OF NEW YORK, OFFICE OF THE CITY CLERK, s.s.:

I hereby certify that the foregoing is a true copy of a local law of The City of New York, passed by the Council on November 16, 2016 and approved by the Mayor on December 6, 2016.

MICHAEL M. McSWEENEY, City Clerk, Clerk of the Council.

CERTIFICATION OF CORPORATION COUNSEL

I hereby certify that the form of the enclosed local law (Local Law No. 158 of 2016, Council Int. No. 1101 of 2016) to be filed with the Secretary of State contains the correct text of the local law passed by the New York City Council and approved by the Mayor.

STEPHEN LOUIS, Acting Corporation Counsel