**Plain Language Summary**

**Current Introduction Number:**

Int. No. 458-A

**Prime Sponsors:**

By The Speaker (Council Member Adams) and Council Members Louis, Hudson, Brannan, Hanif, Brooks-Powers, Brewer, Joseph, Nurse, Ung, Gutiérrez, Abreu, Restler, Won, Bottcher, Avilés, Cabán, Farías, Ossé, De La Rosa, Dinowitz, Narcisse, Marte, Krishnan, Ayala, Williams, Rivera, Powers, Menin, Sanchez, Riley and the Public Advocate (Mr. Williams)

**Bill Title:**

A Local Law to amend the administrative code of the city of New York, in relation to supporting language access through a needs assessment examining language access services used by abortion providers and clients, and related recommendations

**Bill Summary:**

**This plain language summary is for informational purposes only and does not substitute for legal counsel. For more information, you should review the full text of the bill, which is available online at legistar.council.nyc.gov.**

This bill would require the Department of Health and Mental Hygiene (DOHMH) to create and maintain information and resources – available in all designated citywide languages – for a potential patient of an abortion provider, such as information outlining methods used to provide an abortion, attendant health risks, and recovery from an abortion. Additionally, this bill would require DOHMH to conduct a language access service needs assessment, which would survey abortion providers in the City to assess the availability of language access services for abortion, the demand for such services, any funding available, preferred methods of delivery of language access, and any challenges for implementation. DOHMH would report its findings to the Speaker and the Mayor with recommendations and any role the City can play in assisting abortion providers with language access services, including the feasibility of providing a City grant program.

**Effective Date:**

120 days after becoming law

**Legislative Impact:**

**Agency Rulemaking Required**: Is City agency rulemaking required?

**Report Required**: Is a report due to Council required?

**Sunset Date Included**: Does the legislation have a sunset date?

**Council Appointment Required**: Is an appointment by the Council required?

**Other Appointment Required**: Are other appointments not by the Council required?

**Note:** In the full bill text online at legistar.council.nyc.gov, language in proposed consolidated laws that is enclosed by [brackets] would be deleted, and language that is underlined would be new. Language in proposed unconsolidated laws, in contrast, will not have brackets or underlining because it would be entirely new. Consolidation means that the law is placed in the New York City Charter or Administrative Code.

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