Proposed Int. No. 140-A

By Council Members Levin, Constantinides, Reynoso, Richards, Rosenthal, Rivera, Kallos and Ayala

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A Local Law in relation to a study and plan relating to community choice aggregation programs

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Be it enacted by the Council as follows:

Section 1. a. On or before April 30, 2021, the office of long-term planning and sustainability, in consultation with any other relevant agencies or offices, shall conduct a study regarding the feasibility of implementing in the city one or more community choice aggregation programs, as such programs are described in an order of the public service commission issued on April 20, 2016 or any successor orders. Such study shall include, but need not be limited to:

1. An analysis of potential economic and environmental impacts of implementing such program(s) in the city, including costs to individual consumers and a discussion of any potential fees related to the operation of such program would be required;

2. A discussion of any potential regulatory barriers to implementing such program(s) in the city;

3. Recommendation of any regulatory and consumer protections that should be implemented with such program(s);

4. An analysis of the tradeoffs of different partnership models;

5. An assessment of whether such program(s) should be implemented citywide, on a borough-wide basis, at a community district level or in environmental justice areas;

6. The costs and benefits of implementation of an opt-in program and an opt-out program, and a comparison of the two types of programs, and whether the potential geographic area of a program would affect such costs and benefits; and

b. No later than March 1, 2020, such office shall submit electronically to the mayor and the speaker of the council and make publicly available online a preliminary report detailing the progress of such study as required by subdivision a of this local law, including whether services have been procured to perform such study. Such office shall also submit any preliminary data collected to perform any analyses required by such study.

c. If such office recommends implementing any such program(s), such office, in consultation with any other relevant agencies or offices, shall, on or before December 31, 2021, develop, submit electronically to the mayor and the speaker of the council and make publicly available online a plan for implementing such program(s).

§ 2. This local law takes effect immediately.

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