**Plain Language Summary**

**Current Introduction Number:**

Int. No. 1541-B

**Prime Sponsors:**

By The Speaker (Council Member Johnson) and Council Members Treyger, Cornegy, Powers, Lander, Louis and Levin

**Bill Title:**

A local law in relation to creating a specialized high school taskforce

**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 create a specialized high school task force that would be charged with addressing the racial/ethnic student body inequities of the specialized high schools. The task force would be required to examine (i) the current admissions system, including the specialized high school admissions exam and whether such exam should be changed or eliminated; (ii) existing programs such as the Department of Education’s discovery and dream programs; and (iii) the use of alternative admissions methods, including state standardized examinations and grade point average.

**Effective Date:**

This local law takes effect immediately.

**Legislative Impact:**

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

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

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

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

[x]  **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.

LS #10445; LS #4213; LS #6543; and LS #7339

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