

The New York City Council

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of the correctional system's grievance process.

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Title: A Local Law to amend the New York city charter, in relation to requiring the board of correction to

report on the department of correction's grievance process

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| 1/24/2019 | * | City Council | Referred to Comm by Council | |
| 1/29/2019 | * | Committee on Criminal Justice | Laid Over by Committee | |
| 1/29/2019 | * | Committee on Criminal Justice | Hearing Held by Committee | |
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| 6/13/2019 | * | Committee on Criminal Justice | Amendment Proposed by Comm | |
| 6/13/2019 | * | Committee on Criminal Justice | Amended by Committee | |
| 6/13/2019 | Α | Committee on Criminal Justice | Approved by Committee | Pass |
| 6/13/2019 | Α | City Council | Approved by Council | Pass |
| 6/13/2019 | Α | City Council | Sent to Mayor by Council | |
| 7/14/2019 | Α | Administration | City Charter Rule Adopted | |
| 7/18/2019 | Α | City Council | Returned Unsigned by Mayor | |

Int. No. 1334-A

By Council Members Ampry-Samuel, Rosenthal, Rivera, Dromm, Kallos, Cumbo, Levin and Ayala

A Local Law to amend the New York city charter, in relation to requiring the board of correction to report on the department of correction's grievance process File #: Int 1334-2019, Version: A

Be it enacted by the Council as follows:

Section 1. Subdivision f of section 626 of the New York city charter, as amended by local law number

102 for the year 1977, is amended to read as follows:

f. The board shall establish procedures for the hearing of grievances, complaints or

requests for assistance (1) by or on behalf of any person held or confined under the jurisdiction of the

department or (2) by any employee of the department. [The board, or by written designation, a member of the

board or the executive director, may conduct hearings, or study or investigate any matter within the jurisdiction

of the department, and the board may make recommendations and submit reports of its findings to the

appropriate authorities.] Starting July 1, 2021, the board shall issue a report, at least every three years, on issues

related to the department's grievance process. Such report shall incorporate direct feedback from incarcerated

individuals and proposed recommendations for relevant improvements, and shall include a section of

recommendations on how to improve the grievance process for vulnerable populations, including incarcerated

individuals who are lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, intersex, and gender nonconforming. Such report shall

be submitted to the council and posted on the board's website.

§ 2. Section 626 of the New York city charter is amended by adding a new subdivision h to read as

follows:

h. The board, or by written designation, a member of the board or the executive director, may conduct

hearings, or study or investigate any matter within the jurisdiction of the department, and the board may make

recommendations and submit reports of its findings to the appropriate authorities.

§ 3. This local law takes effect on the same date that a local law amending the administrative code of the

city of New York, relating to requiring the department of correction to make the grievance process more

efficient, as proposed in introduction number 1340 for the year 2019, takes effect.

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