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By Council Members Rivera, Kallos, Powers, Ampry-Samuel, Louis, Reynoso, Rosenthal, Levin, Brannan, Van Bramer and the Public Advocate (Mr. Williams)

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Be it enacted by the Council as follows:

Section 1. Subchapter 16 of chapter 5 of title 20 of the administrative code of the city of New York, as added by local law number 2 for the year 2010, is amended to add a new section 20-812 to read as follows:

§ 20-812 Fees prohibited. a. Any person who requests application information for the purposes of obtaining a tenant screening report from a tenant, prospective tenant or agent acting on behalf of such tenant or prospective tenant shall not charge a fee for such information where such person is aware that the dwelling unit

for which such application information is requested in connection with is not, or will not be, available for rent at the time that such tenant, prospective tenant or agent acting on behalf of such tenant or prospective tenant seeks to enter into an agreement for the lease of such dwelling unit.

b. If a tenant screening report is issued to a person requesting application information from a tenant, prospective tenant or agent acting on behalf of such tenant or prospective tenant, such person shall provide a copy of such report to such tenant, prospective tenant or agent upon request, regardless of whether such tenant has entered into an agreement for the lease of a dwelling unit.

§ 2. a. For the purposes of this section, the term "tenant screening report" has the meaning ascribed to it by section 20-807 of the administrative code of the city of New York.

b. By no later than January 1, 2020, the department of consumer affairs shall prepare and file with the mayor and the council, and post on its website, a report analyzing the cost of the city establishing its own tenant screening report system and the feasibility of implementing such a system.

§ 3. Section 1 of this local law takes effect 120 days after it becomes law, except that the commissioner of consumer affairs may take such measures as are necessary for its implementation, including the promulgation of rules, before such effective date. Section 2 of this local law takes effect immediately.

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