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A Local Law in relation to requiring the department of transportation to study safety measures for outdoor train platforms

Be it enacted by the Council as follows:

Section 1. Definitions. As used in this local law, the following terms have the following meanings:

Crash. The term "crash" means any collision between an outdoor train and a pedestrian.

Outdoor train. The term "outdoor train" means any subway train while it travels above-ground and any above-ground commuter train that operates within the city.

Train platform. The term "train platform" means any above-ground subway or above-ground commuter train platform used to facilitate boarding and exiting an outdoor train.

- § 2. The department of transportation shall conduct a comprehensive study on outdoor train crashes and recommend safety measures that may be implemented for train platforms. In completing such study, such department shall:
 - a. Analyze the conditions and factors typically associated with such crashes, if any;
 - b. Study safety measures that may be implemented on train platforms, including protective barriers;
 - c. Identify the benefits of implementing safety measures on train platforms;
 - d. Recommend methods of implementing such safety measures;
 - e. Identify the costs associated with implementing such safety measures; and
 - f. Analyze the feasibility of implementing each such safety measure.
 - § 3. The commissioner of transportation shall report the study's findings and recommendations to the

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mayor and the speaker of the council no later than 1 year after the effective date of this local law. Such report shall include a recommendation as to whether any additional studies would further the objective of improving safety practices for outdoor trains.

§ 4. This local law takes effect immediately and expires and is deemed repealed upon submission of the report required by section three of this local law.

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