



Legislation Text

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By Council Members Salamanca and Kallos

A Local Law to amend the New York city charter, in relation to posting estimated wait times to vote at polling places during elections

Be it enacted by the Council as follows:

Section 1. Chapter 46 of the New York city charter is amended by adding a new section 1057-h to read as follows:

§ 1057-h. Requirement to post estimated voting wait times.

a. Definitions. As used in this section, the following terms have the following meanings:

Early voting. The term “early voting” means voting in the manner authorized by title VI of article eight of the election law.

Early voting period. The term “early voting period” means the period during which early voting is permitted pursuant to subdivision 1 of section 8-600 of the election law.

b. Posting wait times required. For any primary, general or special election, including during an early voting period, the New York city board of elections shall post on its website the estimated current wait times to vote at each polling place in the city. Such estimated wait times shall be posted beginning from the time that a polling place opens each day until the time of closing, and shall be updated every 30 minutes.

§ 2. This local law takes effect 60 days after it becomes law.

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