

The New York City Council

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Int. No. 2321

By Council Members Cornegy, Yeger, Gennaro and Rosenthal

A Local Law to amend the administrative code of the city of New York, in relation to creating a hardship program for inspection and correction of building gas piping systems

Be it enacted by the Council as follows:

Section 1. Article 318 of section of chapter 3 of title 28 of the administrative code of the city of New York, as added by local law 152 for the year 2016, is amended by adding a new section 28-318.6 as follows:

§ 28-318.6 Hardship program. a. The commissioner shall create a hardship program for buildings that cannot be inspected prior to the due date for an inspection required by this article. No later than 30 days after the enactment of the local law that created this section, the commissioner shall solicit input from community boards and civic associations for the design of such program, including the standard for hardship and requirements for acceptance into the program. The owner of a building that cannot be inspected prior to the due date for an inspection for such building may apply to the commissioner for acceptance into such program by completing a form created by the commissioner and affirming under penalty of perjury that the building owner is unable to complete the inspection prior to the due date for an inspection for such building and that requiring the property owner to complete the inspection prior to such due date for an inspection would cause the property owner to suffer a hardship. The standard for hardship may be determined by rule of the commissioner. Upon acceptance into the program, the owner of such building will receive a deferral of the due date for such inspection together with a deferral of all associated due dates and penalties of 90 days. If the property owner fails to comply with the requirements of this article by any such deferred due date, the property owner will be subject to the penalties provided by this article and the rules of the commissioner. Applications to this hardship

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program shall be accepted not less than 90 days before the inspection deadline.

b. Six months before the inspection of a building's gas piping system is to be conducted at the periodic interval set forth by rule of the commissioner, the commissioner shall conduct outreach to all owners of buildings with gas piping systems that must be inspected at that periodic interval to notify them of the pending deadline and the existence of the hardship program.

§ 2. This local law takes effect 120 days after becoming law.

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