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By the Public Advocate (Mr. Williams) and Council Members Treyger and Riley

A Local Law in relation to the department of education reporting on school reopening plans to the commissioner of health and mental hygiene

Be it enacted by the Council as follows:

Section 1. a. For purposes of this section, the term “COVID-19” means the disease caused by the severe acute respiratory syndrome coronavirus 2 (SARS-CoV-2).

b. Not later than September 1, 2021, the department of education shall submit to the commissioner of health and mental hygiene a report on the reopening plans for each public school in the city of New York for the 2021-2022 school year. The report shall include detailed information, disaggregated by school, on the following:

1. Measures that will be implemented for the 2021-2022 school year to protect the health of students, staff, and the community against COVID-19, including measures developed in consultation with city engineers; and

2. Protocols that will be implemented for communication with parents and the school community regarding the measures described in paragraph 1 of this subdivision, including communication in the designated citywide languages described in section 23-1101 of the administrative code of the city of New York.

c. Not later than September 10, 2021, the commissioner of health and mental hygiene shall:

1. Review the report required under subdivision b;
2. Report feedback, disaggregated by school, to the department of education with respect to the adequacy of the school reopening plans in protecting the health of students, staff, and the community from

COVID-19; and

3. Report recommendations to the department of education for any modifications with respect to such school reopening plans, disaggregated by school.

§ 2. This local law takes effect immediately.

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