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A Local Law to amend the administrative code of the city of New York, in relation to requiring the commissioner of information technology and telecommunications to create a separate 311 category for rooftop activity complaints and to report annually regarding such complaints, and to require the commissioner of buildings to report annually regarding certain rooftop spaces

Be it enacted by the Council as follows:

Section 1. Chapter 3 of title 23 of the administrative code of the city of New York is amended by adding a new section 23-307 to read as follows:

§ 23-307 Rooftop activity complaints. a. The department of information technology and telecommunications shall implement and maintain on its 311 citizen center website and mobile device platforms the capability for the public to file a complaint under the category of “rooftop activity complaint.” This complaint category shall contain subcategories for “noise complaints,” “public safety complaints,” and “exceeding authorized rooftop occupancy complaints” in order that each such complaint may be referred to the appropriate agency to take action as necessary to address the complaint.

b. With respect to complaints filed pursuant to subdivision a, the public shall have the ability to submit photographic evidence or recordings supporting such complaints.

c. No later than March 31 of each year, the department of information technology and telecommunications shall submit to the mayor and the speaker of the council, and publish on the department’s website, a report on rooftop activity complaints submitted during the preceding year pursuant to subdivision a. Such report shall include the following information:

1. The number of rooftop activity complaints, disaggregated by census tract and by agency that resolved

the complaint;

2. The number of hours taken to resolve each such complaint, rounded to the nearest hour;

3. The number of complaints that involved a noise issue, a safety issue, or other issue; and

4. Any other information deemed relevant by the department.

d. The department of information technology and telecommunications may consult with any other agency in preparing the reports required by subdivision c, and agencies shall cooperate with the department of information technology and telecommunications regarding requests for information necessary to prepare such reports.

§ 2. Article 103 of chapter 1 of title 28 of the administrative code of the city of New York is amended by adding a new section § 28-103.37 to read as follows:

§ 28-103.37 Reporting regarding certain rooftop spaces. No later than March 31 of each year, the commissioner shall submit to the mayor and the speaker of the council and make available on the department's website a report on rooftop occupancy in the city. The report shall contain the following information for the preceding year, disaggregated by census tract:

1. The number of rooftops with a roof deck, roof terrace or other rooftop recreational space indicated on a certificate of occupancy, and the building address for each such rooftop.

2. The number of rooftops that are indicated on a place of assembly certificate of operation, and the building address for each such rooftop.

3. Any other information that the commissioner deems relevant.

§ 3. This local law takes effect 120 days after it becomes law, except that the commissioner of information technology and telecommunications and the commissioner of buildings shall take any actions necessary for its implementation, including the promulgation of rules, prior to such effective date.

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