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A Local Law to amend the administrative code of the city of New York, in relation to requiring a survey of permanent firehouse upgrades to establish a working environment that facilitates use by a mixed gender workforce

Be it enacted by the Council as follows:

Section 1. Chapter 1 of title 15 of the administrative code of the city of New York is amended by adding a new section 15-142 to read as follows:

§ 15-142 Permanent firehouse upgrades. a. No later than June 30, 2024, the department shall complete a survey of each firehouse to determine the permanent upgrades that would facilitate use by a mixed gender workforce. In conducting such survey, the department shall consider the privacy provided by the layout and location of bathrooms, bunkrooms, locker rooms, changing areas and any other relevant areas of the firehouse.

b. For each firehouse surveyed pursuant to subdivision a of this section, the department shall implement interim measures, such as, but not limited to, physical barriers, as practicable, to accommodate a mixed gender workforce.

c. Upon completion of the survey required by subdivision a of this section, the department shall submit to the mayor and the speaker of the council a report on the findings of the survey detailing the permanent facility upgrades that would facilitate use by a mixed gender workforce, as well as the feasibility of implementing such permanent upgrades at each firehouse. The report shall provide information related to any construction plans to make such upgrades and what, if any, interim measures have been taken at any such firehouses.

§ 2. This local law takes effect immediately.