LOCAL LAWS OF THE CITY OF NEW YORK FOR THE YEAR 2016

No. 182

Introduced by Council Members Garodnick, Menchaca, Richards, Vacca and Greenfield.

A LOCAL LAW

To amend the administrative code of the city of New York, in relation to the compatibility of campaign finance board disclosure software

Be it enacted by the Council as follows:

Section 1. Paragraph (b) of subdivision 7 of section 3-708 of the administrative code of the city of New York, as amended by local law number 34 for the year 2007, is amended to read as follows:

(b) The board shall develop a program for informing candidates and the public as to the purpose and effect of the provisions of this chapter. The board shall prepare and make available educational materials, including compliance manuals and summaries and explanations of the purposes and provisions of this chapter. These materials shall be prepared in plain language. The board shall prepare and make available materials, including, to the extent feasible, computer software, to facilitate the task of compliance with the disclosure and record-keeping requirements of this chapter. When disclosure reports are generated by use of the board's disclosure software, the board shall provide an opportunity for candidates to test their electronic filings on any of the three business days prior to the deadline for the filing of such disclosure reports. Any disclosure software issued by the board on or after January 1, 2008 shall enable users to meet their electronic disclosure obligations under this chapter and under article 14 of the election law, [as amended by

chapter 406 of the laws of 2005] provided that if such disclosure software does not enable users to meet their electronic disclosure obligations under article 14 of the election law then the board shall, upon the request of any user, prepare and deliver to the user an individual electronic file that enables the user to meet such obligations in a timely manner, and, for every date upon which disclosure filings are due from candidates and such disclosure software does not have such functionality, report to the council, mayor and users the cause for such disclosure software not enabling users to meet such obligations and the date upon which such disclosure software is expected to have such functionality.

§ 2. This local law takes effect 120 days after it becomes law.

THE CITY OF NEW YORK, OFFICE OF THE CITY CLERK, s.s.:

I hereby certify that the foregoing is a true copy of a local law of The City of New York, passed by the Council on December 15, 2016 and approved by the Mayor on December 22, 2016.

ALISA FUENTES, Acting City Clerk, Acting Clerk of the Council.

CERTIFICATION OF CORPORATION COUNSEL

I hereby certify that the form of the enclosed local law (Local Law No. 182 of 2016, Council Int. No. 1349-A of 2016) to be filed with the Secretary of State contains the correct text of the local law passed by the New York City Council and approved by the Mayor.

STEPHEN LOUIS, Acting Corporation Counsel