

**LOCAL LAWS
OF
THE CITY OF NEW YORK
FOR THE YEAR 2018**

No. 214

Introduced by Council Members Ulrich, Deutsch, Brannan, Yeger, Kallos, King, Lander, Adams, Cohen, Constantinides, Holden, Vallone, Eugene, Levin, Gjonaj and Miller.

A LOCAL LAW

To amend the administrative code of the city of New York, in relation to benefits counseling services for veterans

Be it enacted by the Council as follows:

Section 1. Title 31 of the administrative code of the city of New York is amended by adding a new section 31-107 to read as follows:

§ 31-107 Benefits counseling. The department shall provide counseling services to veterans seeking assistance regarding benefits offered by the city of New York, the state of New York and the United States department of veterans affairs to which they, their spouses or domestic partners, dependents or any family members may be entitled because of their military service. Counseling services shall include advice, evaluation and information, but shall not include the services identified by section 14.629(b) of title 38 of the code of federal regulations. Counseling services must be provided by trained staff and shall, at a minimum, be available in each of the five boroughs, including at each veterans resource center established pursuant to section 31-106.

§ 2. This local law takes effect on the same date as a local law amending the administrative code of the city of New York relating to creating veterans resource centers, as proposed in introduction number 394-A for the year 2018, takes effect.

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 November 14, 2018 and returned unsigned by the Mayor on December 18, 2018.

MICHAEL M. McSWEENEY, City Clerk, Clerk of the Council.

CERTIFICATION OF CORPORATION COUNSEL

I hereby certify that the form of the enclosed local law (Local Law No. 214 of 2018, Council Int. No. 391-A of 2018) to be filed with the Secretary of State contains the correct text of the local law passed by the New York City Council, presented to the Mayor and neither approved nor disapproved within thirty days thereafter.

STEVEN LOUIS, Acting Corporation Counsel.