LOCAL LAWS OF THE CITY OF NEW YORK FOR THE YEAR 2025

No. 84

Introduced by Council Members Farías, Gennaro, Gutiérrez, Louis, Restler, Banks, Schulman, Cabán, Dinowitz, Rivera, Lee and Mealy.

A LOCAL LAW

In relation to requiring a study on increasing the use of electric for-hire vehicles and installing new charging infrastructure, and to amend the administrative code of the city of New York, in relation to annual reports on increasing the use of electric for-hire vehicles and installing new charging infrastructure

Be it enacted by the Council as follows:

Section 1. The taxi and limousine commission shall conduct a study on costs, challenges, and opportunities related to increasing the use of electric for-hire vehicles and installing new charging infrastructure. No later than December 31, 2026, the taxi and limousine commission shall submit a report on the study's findings to the mayor and the speaker of the council. Such report shall include, but need not be limited to:

- a. An estimate of the total number of publicly available electric vehicle charging stations required to support a transition of all licensed for-hire vehicles to electric vehicles;
- b. An evaluation of the impact of charging on the number of rides for-hire vehicle drivers can provide and the income of those drivers; and
- c. An analysis of potential incentive programs designed to encourage the adoption of electric for-hire vehicles, including the issuance of for-hire vehicle licenses when internal combustion engine for-hire vehicles are replaced by electric for-hire vehicles.

- § 2. Subdivision g of section 19-550 of chapter 5 of title 19 of the administrative code of the city of New York, as added by local law number 147 for the year 2018, is amended to read as follows:
- g. The commission shall no later than December 31, 2020 and annually thereafter submit to the council and the mayor a report on the effects of vehicle utilization standards [and], the regulation of the number of licenses issued to for-hire vehicles authorized by subdivision b of this section, and the use of electric vehicles. Such report shall include at least the following information:
 - 1. The total number of licensed for-hire vehicles that are electric vehicles;
- 2. A target for the total number of licensed for-hire vehicles that will be electric vehicles by the due date of the next annual report and an estimate of the number of publicly available electric vehicle charging stations that would be necessary to support those electric vehicles;
- 3. The number and location of publicly available electric vehicle charging stations installed in the year preceding the submission of such report, disaggregated by charging level and borough;
- 4. The total number of for-hire vehicle licenses issued by the commission for electric vehicles in the year preceding the submission of such report, including the number of such vehicle licenses issued for wheelchair accessible electric vehicles, if any;
- 5. The number of licensed for-hire vehicles that have converted from internal combustion engines to electric vehicles in the year preceding the submission of such report;
- 6. The estimated costs of an electric vehicle compared to the costs of an internal combustion engine vehicle, such as vehicle acquisition, rental costs, fuel, and maintenance;

7. Whether existing and projected charging capacity meets or is expected to meet the demand for existing and projected electric for-hire vehicles, including an analysis of trends in the utilization of existing chargers, based on information available to the commission;

8. Recommended locations for additional electric vehicle charging stations based on the residences and trip patterns of for-hire vehicle drivers;

9. An update on the city's progress towards a complete transition of all licensed for-hire vehicles to electric or wheelchair accessible vehicles, and on any agreements or commitments between the commission and private entities to facilitate such transition; and

10. Changes, if any, in incentives to encourage the adoption of electric for-hire vehicles.

§ 3. This local law takes effect immediately.

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 May 28, 2025 and returned unsigned by the Mayor on June 30, 2025.

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. 84 of 2025, Council Int. No. 676-A of 2024) 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.

SPENCER FISHER, Acting Corporation Counsel.