

STATE OF NEW YORK

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IN ASSEMBLY

February 16, 2017

Introduced by M. of A. BYRNE -- read once and referred to the Committee on Cities

AN ACT to amend the general city law, in relation to prohibiting the destruction of information submitted by applicants for municipal forms of identification, and requiring such information to be submitted to the division of homeland security and emergency services and the office for new Americans

The People of the State of New York, represented in Senate and Assembly, do enact as follows:

1 Section 1. The general city law is amended by adding a new section
2 18-e to read as follows:

3 § 18-e. Forms of identification records. 1. Notwithstanding any local
4 law, code, ordinance, rule or regulation to the contrary, no city that
5 issues any form of identification to persons, who are not employees of
6 such city, other than identification used solely as proof of residency
7 in such city, shall destroy or cause to be destroyed any application, or
8 the information contained therein, for such form of identification. Any
9 city that violates the provisions of this subdivision shall be subject
10 to a civil penalty, payable to the office for new Americans, of one
11 thousand dollars for each application or portion thereof that was
12 destroyed. The proceeds of all penalties collected pursuant to this
13 subdivision shall be allocated and disbursed to the office for new Amer-
14 icans to carry out its purpose pursuant to section ninety-four-b of the
15 executive law.

16 2. Within ten days of receipt of an application for a form of iden-
17 tification issued by a city, such city shall forward copies of such
18 application to the division of homeland security and emergency services
19 and the office for new Americans.

20 § 2. Every city which issued any form of identification, to which
21 section 18-e of the general city law, as added by section one of this
22 act applies, prior to the effective date of this act, shall, within 10

EXPLANATION--Matter in italics (underscored) is new; matter in brackets
[-] is old law to be omitted.

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1 days of such effective date, transmit any and all information contained
2 in the applications for such identification, which remains in the
3 possession of such city, to the division of homeland security and emer-
4 gency services and the office for new Americans.
5 § 3. This act shall take effect immediately.