



## MEMO OF SUPPORT

### [Intro 77 of 2024 \(Restler\)](#)

*Extends revolving door ban for senior public officials*

January 23, 2025

#### **TITLE OF BILL**

A Local Law to amend the New York city charter, in relation to post-employment activities of certain former public servants.

#### **STATEMENT OF SUPPORT**

Reinvent Albany supports this bill because it will help reduce the influence of special interests in New York City. The current mayoral administration has seen no shortage of current and former aides abusing their power to help those with deep pockets. We also encourage the Council to go further – [as we previously noted](#), Florida has a [six-year revolving door ban](#) for senior officials.

We urge the Council to pass this bill, and the Mayor to sign it.

#### **SUMMARY OF PROVISIONS**

Section 1 amends NYC Charter §2604(d)(2) to prohibit chiefs of staff to deputy mayors and the deputy chief of staff to the mayor from lobbying any branch of NYC government they served for one year after leaving office. It also extends the existing two-year prohibition to:

- the commissioners of buildings, design and construction, housing preservation and development, transportation;
- the chancellor of the city school district; and
- the mayor's chief of staff, chief counsel, chief advisor, senior advisor, director of intergovernmental affairs, communications director, press secretary, and any public servant who directly reports to the mayor.

Section 2 states that the bill takes effect 90 days after becoming law, though only applies to public servants who leave office after the effective date.