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Legislation Text

Committee on Health and Human Relations Chicago City Council Meeting February 23, 2022

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WHEREAS, antibodies produced by the human body either by COVID-19 vaccination or infection can guard the body from infection according to the Center for Disease Control and Prevention; and,

WHEREAS, serology testing can be performed to detect the presence of COVID-19 antibodies to determine their presence and possible protection from the viruses associated with COVID-19; now therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CHICAGO, that the Committee on Health and Human Relations hold hearings with the Department of Public Health and a broad range of health experts including but not limited to immunology, cytokines, and natural immunity research for the purposes of policy formation that is inclusive of natural ity in current and future mitigation policies and protocols.

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