



**THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF NEW YORK  
FINANCE DIVISION  
PRESTON NIBLACK, DIRECTOR  
FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT**

**PROPOSED INTRO. NO: 3-A**

**COMMITTEE: Immigration**

**TITLE:** A Local Law to amend the administrative code of the city of New York, in relation to requiring the Administration for Children's Services to review strategies and create a plan of action to protect children who qualify for Special Immigrant Juvenile Status.

**SPONSOR:** Dromm, Cabrera, Arroyo, Jackson, Barron, Brewer, Dickens, Eugene, Ferreras, Fidler, Foster, Gonzalez, James, Koppell, Koslowitz, Lander, Lappin, Mark-Viverito, Mealy, Palma, Seabrook, Vann, Williams, Nelson and Rodriguez

**SUMMARY OF LEGISLATION:** This legislation amends the administrative code of the city of New York, in relation to requiring the Administration for Children's Services to review strategies and create a plan of action to protect children who qualify for Special Immigrant Juvenile Status.

Proposed Int. 3-A, would add section §21-904 to Chapter nine of title 21 of the administrative code of the city of New York, which would charge the Administration for Children's Services (ACS) with the responsibility of creating and implementing a new comprehensive plan to provide services to children in contact with ACS who may be deemed eligible for Special Immigrant Juvenile Status ("SIJS") or other immigration benefits.

The purpose of the plan is to determine how to (i) systemically identify children within ACS that qualify for SIJS as early as possible, and (ii) assist such children in obtaining the immigration services they need as soon as they are identified

Under the legislation, the plan must include, but not be limited to, a description of (i) ACS's plan to identify children who qualify for SIJS and coordinate immigration services for them; (ii) ACS's policies relating to the identification of children who qualify for SIJS, including programs, procedures and memoranda; (iii) SIJS training programs for all ACS and contract foster care case workers and attorneys; (iv) the structure and operation of ACS's offices, including the position of Director of Immigration Services; and (v) ACS's requests for proposals for foster care contract agencies in order to develop uniform contract requirements regarding SIJS identification and coordination of immigration services.

The legislation would require the individual to provide the Council with a status report of the implementation of the Plan no later than 6 months from the effective date of the local law.

**EFFECTIVE DATE:** This local law would take effect 90 days after its enactment into law and would sunset in 2015.

**FISCAL YEAR IN WHICH FULL FISCAL IMPACT ANTICIPATED: Fiscal 2011**

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**FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT:**

	<b>Effective FY10</b>	<b>FY Succeeding Effective FY11</b>	<b>Full Fiscal Impact FY11</b>
<b>Revenues (+)</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>
<b>Expenditures (-)</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>
<b>Net</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>

**IMPACT ON REVENUES:** There would be no impact on revenues resulting from the enactment of this legislation.

**IMPACT ON EXPENDITURES:** There would be no impact on expenses resulting from the enactment of this legislation due to the Administration for Children’s Services (ACS) using existing resources and personnel to carry out this legislation.

**SOURCE OF FUNDS TO COVER ESTIMATED COSTS:** Administration for Children’s Services

**SOURCE OF INFORMATION:** Administration for Children’s Services

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**HISTORY:** Int. 3 was introduced on February 3, 2010, and referred to the Committee on Immigration. On March 2, 2010, the Committee on Immigration held a hearing on Int. 0003, and the legislation was laid over. An amended version of this bill, Proposed Int. 3-A, will be considered by the Committee on March 24, 2010.