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FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT

PROPOSED INTRO. NO: 673-A

COMMITTEE: Aging

TITLE: A Local Law to amend the administrative code of the city of New York, in relation to promoting housing stability for older adults by making available full legal representation in eviction or termination of tenancy proceedings in housing court for any person who is 60 years of age or older and establishing a housing support program for persons 60 years of age or older who are at risk of eviction or foreclosure

SPONSOR(S): By Council Members Hudson, Richardson Jordan, Lee, Schulman, Brewer, Avilés, Menin, Louis, Dinowitz, Restler, Hanif, Fariás, Sanchez, Velázquez, Barron, Stevens, Won, Krishnan, Gutiérrez, Narcisse, Ayala, De La Rosa, Abreu, Ossé, Cabán, Nurse, Joseph, Bottcher, Brooks-Powers, Ung, Riley, Brannan, Powers and Williams

SUMMARY OF LEGISLATION: This bill would entitle any person 60 years of age or older facing eviction or termination of tenancy in housing court to full legal representation at no cost. This bill would also require the Department for the Aging (DFTA) to establish a housing support program for the purpose of providing tailored advice and support, through case management services, to persons 60 years of age or older who are at risk of eviction or foreclosure. The bill also directs the Coordinator of the Office of Civil Justice to work with persons 60 years of age or older to educate and inform them about their rights in housing court.

EFFECTIVE DATE: This local law takes effect 180 days after becoming law.

FISCAL YEAR IN WHICH FULL FISCAL IMPACT ANTICIPATED: Fiscal 2024

FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT:

	Effective FY24	FY Succeeding Effective FY25	Full Fiscal Impact FY24
Revenues	\$0	\$0	\$0
Expenditures	\$1,000,000	\$0	\$1,000,000
Net	\$1,000,000	\$0	\$1,000,000

IMPACT ON REVENUES: It is estimated that there would be no impact on revenues resulting from the enactment of this legislation.

IMPACT ON EXPENDITURES: It is anticipated that there would be a one-time cost of approximately \$1 million for the development of the online client-facing management portal to support existing case management services at DFTA. Existing resources are anticipated to be used to fulfill the other requirements of this legislation. The expansion of legal representation is subject to appropriation.

SOURCE OF FUNDS TO COVER ESTIMATED COSTS: General Fund

SOURCE OF INFORMATION: New York City Council Finance Division, Mayor's Office of Legislative Affairs, Human Resources Administration

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LEGISLATIVE HISTORY: The legislation was introduced to the Council as a Preconsidered Int. and was referred to the Committee on Aging (Committee). The legislation was heard by the Committee on September 7, 2022 and subsequently introduced to the full Council on September 14, 2022. The amended version, Int. 673-A, will be voted on by the Committee at a hearing on January 18, 2023. Upon successful vote by the Committee, the bill will be submitted to the full Council for a vote on January 19, 2023.

DATE PREPARED: January 18, 2023