LOCAL LAWS OF THE CITY OF NEW YORK FOR THE YEAR 2023

No. 145

Introduced by Council Members Abreu, Avilés, Restler, Hudson, Ung, Ayala, Louis, Cabán, Yeger, Bottcher, Menin, Krishnan, Velázquez, Powers, Nurse, Brannan, Dinowitz, De La Rosa, Ossé, Marte, Schulman, Feliz, Salamanca, Riley, Hanif, Williams, Brooks-Powers, Richardson Jordan, Rivera and Carr.

A LOCAL LAW

To amend the administrative code of the city of New York, in relation to requiring information on the timeliness of city-funded rental payments

Be it enacted by the Council as follows:

Section 1. Chapter 1 of title 21 of the administrative code of the city of New York is amended by adding a new section 21-145.4 to read as follows:

§ 21-145.4 Reporting on CityFHEPS rental assistance payments. a. Definitions. For the purposes of this section, the following terms have the following meanings:

CityFHEPS rental assistance payments. The term "CityFHEPS rental assistance payments" means recurring payments made by the department to landlords on behalf of tenants pursuant to chapter 10 of title 68 of the rules of the city of New York.

Scheduled payment date. The term "scheduled payment date" means the date when payments are to be made in accordance with section 10-14(b) of chapter 10 of title 68 of the rules of the city of New York.

b. CityFHEPS rental assistance payments report. Beginning on March 1, 2024 and quarterly thereafter, the department shall submit to the speaker of the council and post on its website a

report on the timeliness of CityFHEPS rental assistance payments for the prior completed quarter.

The report shall include a table in which each row represents a unique rental voucher and shall include, but not be limited to, the following information:

- 1. Rental assistance payment amount;
- 2. Rental assistance payment month;
- 3. Zip code of rental assistance recipient;
- 4. Whether rental assistance payment was timely or sent after the scheduled payment date, and reason for late payment; and
- 5. Where the late payment is caused byddte the agency, a description of the actions the department will take to ensure rental assistance payments are consistently made on or before the scheduled payment date for each late payment recipient.
- c. No information that is otherwise required to be reported pursuant to this section shall be reported in a manner that would violate any applicable law relating to the privacy of individual information.
 - § 2. This local law takes effect immediately.

THE CITY OF NEW YORK, OFFICE OF THE CITY CLERK, s.s.:

I hereby certify that the foregoing is a true copy of a local law of The City of New York, passed by the Council on October 5, 2023 and returned unsigned by the Mayor on November 6, 2023.

MICHAEL M. McSWEENEY, City Clerk, Clerk of the Council.

CERTIFICATION OF CORPORATION COUNSEL

I hereby certify that the form of the enclosed local law (Local Law No. 145 of 2023, Council Int. No. 703-A of 2022) to be filed with the Secretary of State contains the correct text of the local law passed by the New York City Council, presented to the Mayor and neither approved nor disapproved within thirty days thereafter.

SPENCER FISHER, Acting Corporation Counsel.