LOCAL LAWS OF THE CITY OF NEW YORK FOR THE YEAR 2012

No. 49

Introduced by Council Members Brewer, Palma, Chin, Fidler, James, Koslowitz, Lander, Levin, Mendez, Vann, Williams, Nelson, Rodriguez, Barron, Foster, Mark-Viverito, Gonzalez, Garodnick, Van Bramer, Vacca, Arroyo, Rose, Dromm, Lappin, Dickens, Eugene, Gennaro, Jackson, Mealy and Halloran

A LOCAL LAW

To amend the administrative code of the city of New York, in relation to requiring the Human Resources Administration and the Department of Youth and Community Development to publish on the agencies' websites information relating to the process for youth and young adults aged sixteen through twenty applying for or receiving public assistance.

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 21-133 to read as follows:

§21-133. Web-based information for youth and young adults aged sixteen through twenty

applying for or receiving public assistance.

a. Definitions. For the purposes of this section the following terms shall have the

following meanings:

- 1. "Public assistance" shall mean safety net assistance and family assistance provided by
- the New York city department of social services/human resources administration;
- 2. "Young adult" shall mean any person between and including the ages of eighteen and twenty; and

3. "Youth" shall mean any person between and including the ages of sixteen and seventeen.

b. Web-based Information. No later than sixty days from the effective date of the local law that added this section, the department shall publish, through an easily identifiable link on its website, answers to frequently asked questions relating to the rights of and options available to youth and young adults who apply for or are receiving public assistance as head of household, including but not limited to a description of how to apply for public assistance, the types of public assistance that are available, and how recipients may satisfy work requirements through educational activities. Such information shall be updated as often as necessary and at a minimum on an annual basis.

§2. Chapter 4 of title 21 of the administrative code of the city of New York is amended by adding a new section 21-403 to read as follows:

§21-403. Web-based information for youth and young adults aged sixteen through twenty applying for or receiving public assistance.

a. Definitions. For the purposes of this section the following terms shall have the following meanings:

1. "Public assistance" shall mean safety net assistance and family assistance provided by the New York city department of social services/human resources administration;

2. "Young adult" shall mean any person between and including the ages of eighteen and twenty; and

3. "Youth" shall mean any person between and including the ages of sixteen and seventeen.

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b. Web-based Information. No later than sixty days from the effective date of the local law that added this section, the department shall publish, through an easily identifiable link on its website, answers to frequently asked questions relating to the rights of and options available to youth and young adults who apply for or are receiving public assistance as head of household, including but not limited to a description of how to apply for public assistance, the types of public assistance that are available, and how recipients may satisfy work requirements through educational activities. Such information shall be updated as often as necessary and at a minimum on an annual basis.

§3. This local law shall take 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 onOctober 11, 2012..... and approved by the Mayor onOctober 25, 2012.....

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

CERTIFICATION PURSUANT TO MUNICIPAL HOME RULE LAW § 27 Pursuant to the provisions of Municipal Home Rule Law §27, I hereby certify that the enclosed local law (Local Law No. 49 of 2012, Council Int. No. 648-A) contains the correct text and that all proper proceedings have been had or taken for the enactment of such local law.

JEFFREY D. FRIEDLANDER, Acting Corporation Counsel.