LOCAL LAWS OF THE CITY OF NEW YORK FOR THE YEAR 2014

No. 62

Introduced by Council Members Johnson, Levin, Chin, Dickens, Eugene, Koo, Levine, Rose, Rodriguez, Mendez, Richards, Rosenthal, Menchaca, Lander, Cumbo, Constantinides, Arroyo, Van Bramer, King, Wills, Espinal, Dromm, Greenfield and Kallos.

A LOCAL LAW

To amend the administrative code of the city of New York, in relation to requiring the department of homeless services to grant a presumption of eligibility for applicants to the shelter system who are exiting human resources administration domestic violence shelters.

Be it enacted by the Council as follows:

Section 1. Chapter 3 of title 21 of the administrative code of the city of New York is amended by adding a new section 21-316 to read as follows:

§ 21-316 Presumption of eligibility. a. For purposes of this section, "HRA domestic violence shelter" shall mean any residential care facility providing emergency shelter and services to victims of domestic violence and their minor children and operated by the department of social services/human resources administration or a provider under contract or similar agreement with the department of social services/human resources administration.

b. The department shall deem any applicant residing in an HRA domestic violence shelter an eligible homeless person for purposes of temporary shelter placement provided by the department provided (i) the applicant is no longer eligible for such HRA domestic violence shelter because such applicant has exhausted the maximum length of stay permitted at such HRA domestic violence shelter; (ii) the human resources administration or successor entity has provided the

department with advance notice of such applicant's upcoming exit from such HRA domestic violence shelter, with the human resources administration or successor entity required to provide such advance notice where applicable; and (iii) such applicant reports to the department on the same calendar day as the applicant's exit from such HRA domestic violence shelter. Such applicants shall not be required to undergo an eligibility determination process at a department intake facility prior to being admitted to a temporary shelter placement.

§ 2. 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 on November 25, 2014 and approved by the Mayor on December 12, 2014.

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. 62 of 2014, Council Int. No. 361-A of 2014) to be filed with the Secretary of State contains the correct text of the local law passed by the New York City Council and approved by the Mayor.

JEFFREY D. FRIEDLANDER, Acting Corporation Counsel.

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