

**CURRENT INTRODUCTION NUMBER:**

[Int. No. 622](#)

**INITIAL SPONSORS:**

Council Member Crowley

**TITLE:**

A Local Law to amend the administrative code of the city of New York, in relation to requiring the department of homeless services to educate homeless persons on domestic violence and child abuse.

**BILL SUMMARY:**

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Recently, there have been a number of fatal child abuse incidents in New York city homeless shelters. Domestic violence also continues to be an issue in homeless shelters. This bill would require the Department of Homeless Services (DHS) to educate all new recipients of shelter on domestic violence and child abuse. Specifically, the bill would require DHS to provide to homeless persons undergoing intake educational materials, including a video and an illustrated brochure explaining what domestic violence and child abuse are.

**CODE SECTIONS AFFECTED:**

Adds Administrative Code § 21-317

**EFFECTIVE DATE:**

120 days after its enactment into law.

**NOTE:** When reading the [full text of the bill](#) online at [legistar.council.nyc.gov](http://legistar.council.nyc.gov), language that is enclosed by [brackets] is proposed to be removed, and language that is underlined is proposed to be added.