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A Local Law to amend the administrative code of the city of New York, in relation to transferring administration of the senior citizen rent increase exemption (SCRIE) and disability rent increase exemption (DRIE) programs to the department of finance

Be it enacted by the Council as follows:

Section 1. Section 26-601 of the administrative code of the city of New York is amended to read as follows:

§ 26-601 Definitions. As used in this [section] chapter.

§ 2. Subdivision k of section 26-601 of the administrative code of the city of New York is amended to read as follows:

k. "Supervising agency" means the department of [housing preservation and development] finance.

§ 3. Subdivision c of section 26-605 of the administrative code of the city of New York is amended to read as follows:

(c) Notwithstanding any other provision of law and to the extent applicable to the provisions of this chapter, any renewal application being made by the tenant pursuant to this section, any rent increase order then in effect with respect to such tenant shall be deemed renewed until such time as the [department of housing preservation and development] supervising agency shall have found such tenant to be either eligible or ineligible for a rent increase exemption order but in no event for more than six additional months. If such tenant is found eligible, the order shall be deemed to have taken effect upon expiration of the exemption. In the event

that any such tenant shall, subsequent to any such automatic renewal, not be granted a rent increase exemption order, such tenant shall be liable to his or her landlord for the difference between the amounts he or she has paid under the provisions of the automatically renewed order and the amounts which he or she would have been required to pay in the absence of such order. Any rent increase exemption order issued pursuant to this chapter shall include provisions giving notice as to the contents of this section relating to automatic renewals of rent exemption orders.

§ 4. This local law takes effect 180 days after becoming law, except that the commissioner of finance shall take all actions necessary for its implementation, including the promulgation of rules, prior to such effective date.

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