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A Local Law to amend the administrative code of the city of New York, in relation to requiring space for children at department of social services/human resources administration job centers and SNAP centers

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 new section 21-142.4 to read as follows:

§ 21-142.4 Space for children in job centers and SNAP centers. a. Definitions. For the purposes of this section, the following terms have the following meanings:

Child. The term “child” means a natural person under the age of 13 years.

Client. The term “client” means a visitor who has made initial contact with the department at a job center or SNAP center, either through a self-service kiosk or with a staff member responsible for keeping track of visitors.

Job center. The term “Job center” has the same meaning as set forth in section 21-142.1.

SNAP center. “SNAP center” has the same meaning as set forth in section 21-142.1.

b. The department shall designate a sanitary space in every job center and SNAP center for any client with a child in such center where providing such space is practicable and does not compromise the space needs of the department or safety of clients. Such designated space shall include comfortable seating and age-appropriate and educational materials for any child who utilizes such space.

c. The department shall create a poster containing information on availability of space for children

pursuant to this section and any additional accommodations for children. Such poster shall be displayed in a clear and conspicuous manner in all job centers and SNAP centers. Information about space for children in job centers and SNAP centers shall be made available on the department's website. Within 30 days after the effective date of the local law adding this subdivision, the department shall create a list of all locations with spaces for children available pursuant to this section. The department shall submit such list to the speaker of the council and make such list available on the department's website.

§ 2. This local law takes effect 120 days after it becomes law.

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