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## Legislation Text

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A Local Law to amend the administrative code of the city of New York, in relation to runaway and homeless youth eligibility for rental 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 21-145 to read as follows:

§ 21-145 Rental assistance for runaway and homeless youth. a. Definitions. For purposes of this section, the following terms have the following meanings:

Homeless young adult. The term "homeless young adult" has the same meaning as provided in section 532-a of the executive law.

Homeless youth. The term "homeless youth" has the same meaning as provided in section 532-a of the executive law. For purposes of this section, the term homeless youth also includes homeless young adults.

Rental assistance. The term "rental assistance" means subsidies provided through the rental assistance program established in chapter 10 of title 68 of the rules of the city of New York and any successor program.

Runaway and homeless youth crisis services program. The term "runaway and homeless youth crisis services program" has the same meaning as provided in section 532-a of the executive law.

Runaway and homeless youth services. The term "runaway and homeless youth services" means runaway and homeless youth crisis services programs and transitional independent living support programs funded by the department of youth and community development.

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Runaway youth. The term "runaway youth" has the same meaning as provided in section 532-a of the

executive law.

Shelter services. The term "shelter services" means residential programs within runaway and homeless

youth crisis services programs and transitional independent living support programs.

Transitional independent living support program. The term "transitional independent living support

program" has the same meaning as provided in section 532-a of the executive law.

b. Rental assistance program eligibility. The department shall count the time a runaway youth or

homeless youth spent in runaway and homeless youth shelter as time spent in the city shelter system in

determining such youth's eligibility for rental assistance when such eligibility is dependent on having spent

time residing in the city shelter system. The department shall not require such youth to reside in the city shelter

system outside of shelter services as a condition of eligibility.

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

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