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A Local Law to amend the administrative code of the city of New York, in relation to requiring the establishment of intake centers for families with children

Be it enacted by the Council as follows:

Section 1. Section 1. Chapter 3 of title 21 of the administrative code of the city of New York is amended by adding a new section 21-328 to read as follows:

§ 21-328 Establishment of intake centers for families with children. a. Definitions. For the purposes of this section, the following terms have the following meanings:

Family intake center. The term "family intake center" means a department facility that accepts and processes applications for shelter from families with children.

Shelter. The term "shelter" means housing provided to individuals and families by the department or a provider under contract or similar agreement with the department.

b. Within two years of the effective date of the local law that added this section, and each year thereafter, the department shall establish at least one new family intake center in a borough without an existing family intake center. Each such family intake center shall be located in a geographic area that is easily accessible and in close proximity to public transportation. The department shall not be required to open any additional family intake centers so long as the department maintains at least one operational family intake center in each borough.

§ 2. This local law takes effect immediately.

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