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Introduced by Sen. SQUADRON -- read twice and ordered printed, and when printed to be committed to the Committee on Housing, Construction and Community Development

AN ACT to amend the public housing law, in relation to requiring any program or activity relating to housing which receives federal financial assistance to comply with the Federal Rehabilitation Act of 1973

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK, REPRESENTED IN SENATE AND ASSEMBLY, DO ENACT AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. The public housing law is amended by adding a new section 223-a to read as follows:

S 223-A. NON-DISCRIMINATION UNDER PROJECTS RECEIVING FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE. 1. FOR THE PURPOSE OF THIS SECTION THE TERMS "PROGRAM OR ACTIVITY" AND "FEDERAL FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE" SHALL HAVE THE SAME MEANING AS PROVIDED IN THE FEDERAL REHABILITATION ACT OF 1973 AND ITS IMPLEMENTING REGULATIONS.

2. NOTWITHSTANDING ANY PROVISION OF LAW TO THE CONTRARY, ANY PROGRAM OR ACTIVITY RELATING TO HOUSING WHICH RECEIVES FEDERAL FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE SHALL COMPLY WITH THE REQUIREMENTS SET FORTH IN SECTION FIVE HUNDRED FOUR OF THE FEDERAL REHABILITATION ACT OF 1973 AS AMENDED.

3. THE DIVISION OF HOUSING AND COMMUNITY RENEWAL AND ALL OTHER AGENCIES, AUTHORITIES, AND OTHER INSTRUMENTALITIES OF THE STATE AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT WHICH DISTRIBUTE OR ADMINISTER FEDERAL FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE SHALL APPLY AND ENFORCE THE PROVISION OF THIS SECTION AND SHALL AMEND ALL APPLICABLE RULES AND REGULATIONS ACCORDINGLY.

S 2. This act shall take effect on the one hundred twentieth day after it shall have become a law. Effective immediately, the addition, amendment and/or repeal of any rule or regulation necessary for the implementation of this act on its effective date is authorized and directed to be made and completed on or before such effective date.

EXPLANATION--Matter in ITALICS (underscored) is new; matter in brackets [ ] is old law to be omitted.

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