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AN ACT to amend the public housing law, in relation to requiring the commissioner of housing and community renewal to develop a common application and web portal for certain funding, tax credits, loans, and grants for housing development

The People of the State of New York, represented in Senate and Assembly, do enact as follows:

1 Section 1. The public housing law is amended by adding a new section  
2 14-a to read as follows:

3 § 14-a. Housing assistance application and web portal. 1. The commis-  
4 sioner, in consultation with any other state agency that the commis-  
5 ioner deems necessary, shall cause to be developed a common application and  
6 web portal with which a business or organization may apply for and  
7 manage any funding, tax credit, loan, or grant for housing development  
8 that such business or organization is entitled to receive under the laws  
9 of the state, and that is capable of meeting all other requirements of  
10 this section.

11 2. (a) The common application developed pursuant to this section shall  
12 be made available to a business or organization upon request from a  
13 state agency that grants funding, tax credits, loans, or grants for  
14 housing development. Such application shall also be capable of being  
15 completed and submitted by an applicant on the web portal created pursu-  
16 ant to this section.

17 (b) The web portal required to be developed pursuant to this section  
18 shall be accessible by any state agency required to administer any fund-  
19 ing, tax credit, loan, or grant for housing development required of such

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

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1 state agency under the laws of the state, and any such funding, tax  
2 credit, loan, or grant for housing development shall be made capable of  
3 administration through such web portal.

4 (c) Upon development of the web portal by the commissioner, any state  
5 agency required to administer any funding, tax credit, loan, or grant  
6 for housing development under the laws of the state shall upload any  
7 incorporating documents, bylaws, or any other relevant information that  
8 such state agency deems helpful to business or organization using such  
9 web portal.

10 3. The provisions of this section shall apply only to statewide fund-  
11 ing, tax credits, loans, or grants for housing development where the  
12 business or organization submits an application to a state agency, and  
13 shall not include any locally managed funding, tax credit, loan, or  
14 grant for housing development where the business or organization submits  
15 an application to a designated local entity or where the business or  
16 organization submits an application to a not-for-profit corporation.

17 4. The commissioner shall have the authority to obtain any information  
18 the commissioner shall deem necessary to fulfill the provisions of this  
19 section from any state agency.

20 5. For the purposes of this section, the term "state agency" shall  
21 mean any state agency, department, commission, division, office, bureau,  
22 or subdivision thereof.

23 § 2. This act shall take effect on the one hundred eightieth day after  
24 it shall have become a law.