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Introduced by M. of A. CLARK -- read once and referred to the Committee on Local Governments

AN ACT to amend the New York city civil court act, in relation to the pro se clerks of the housing part of the New York city civil court

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

Section 1. Subdivision (o) of section 110 of the New York city civil court act, as added by chapter 849 of the laws of 1977, is amended to read as follows:

(o) There shall be a sufficient number of pro se clerks of the housing part ASSIGNED TO THE COURT IN EACH BOROUGH OF THE CITY to assist persons without counsel. Such assistance shall include, but need not be limited to providing information concerning court procedure, helping to file court papers, and, where appropriate, advising persons to seek administrative relief. SUCH CLERKS SHALL BE EMPLOYED ON A FULL-TIME BASIS AND SHALL RECEIVE PRE-EMPLOYMENT TRAINING IN SUBSTANTIVE AND PROCEDURAL MATTERS WHICH THEY MAY REGULARLY ENCOUNTER IN SUCH POSITIONS. SUCH CLERKS SHALL WEAR A CONSPICUOUS BADGE AND NAME TAG WHICH IDENTIFIES THEM AS A PRO SE CLERK.

S 2. This act shall take effect on the ninetieth day after it shall have become a law.

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

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