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Introduced by M. of A. COOK -- read once and referred to the Committee on Cities

AN ACT to amend the administrative code of the city of New York, in relation to limiting the number of shelters in council districts

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

Section 1. The administrative code of the city of New York is amended by adding a new section 21-316 to read as follows:

S 21-316 LIMITS ON SHELTER CAPACITY OF COUNCIL DISTRICTS. A. FOR THE PURPOSES OF THIS SECTION, THE FOLLOWING TERMS SHALL HAVE THE FOLLOWING MEANINGS:

1. "CAPACITY" SHALL MEAN THE NUMBER OF SHELTER BEDS PROVIDED FOR INDIVIDUAL HOMELESS SINGLE ADULTS AND THE NUMBER OF SHELTER UNITS PROVIDED FOR HOMELESS ADULT FAMILIES AND FAMILIES WITH CHILDREN.

2. "SHELTER" SHALL MEAN TEMPORARY EMERGENCY HOUSING PROVIDED TO HOMELESS ADULTS, ADULT FAMILIES, AND FAMILIES WITH CHILDREN BY THE DEPARTMENT OR A PROVIDER UNDER CONTRACT OR SIMILAR AGREEMENT WITH THE DEPARTMENT.

B. THE DEPARTMENT SHALL LIMIT THE SHELTER CAPACITY OF EACH COUNCIL DISTRICT WITHIN THE CITY OF NEW YORK TO NO MORE THAN FIFTEEN PERCENT OF THE TOTAL SHELTER CAPACITY OF THE BOROUGH WHERE SUCH COUNCIL DISTRICT IS LOCATED. THE DEPARTMENT SHALL NOT RENEW ANY SHELTER CONTRACT OR SIMILAR AGREEMENT IF THE COUNCIL DISTRICT WHERE SUCH SHELTER IS LOCATED HAS MORE THAN FIFTEEN PERCENT OF THE TOTAL SHELTER CAPACITY OF THE BOROUGH WHERE SUCH COUNCIL DISTRICT IS LOCATED.

S 2. This act shall take effect immediately.

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

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