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Introduced by Sens. KLEIN, AVELLA, ESPAILLAT -- read twice and ordered printed, and when printed to be committed to the Committee on Housing, Construction and Community Development -- committee discharged, bill amended, ordered reprinted as amended and recommitted to said committee

AN ACT to amend the public housing law, in relation to preferences and priorities for prospective public housing and section 8 tenants in the city of New York

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

1 Section 1. Paragraph (e) of subdivision 3 of section 402-b of the  
2 public housing law, as added by chapter 3 of the laws of 2010, is  
3 amended to read as follows:

4 (e) All prospective public housing and Section 8 tenants shall be  
5 selected from a waiting list which shall be maintained by the New York  
6 city housing authority in compliance with the federal public housing and  
7 Section 8 laws and all applicable rules and regulations. The New York  
8 city housing authority and each respective project owner shall screen  
9 tenants and jointly have final approval over tenant selection all in  
10 accordance with aforementioned laws, rules and regulations. All prospec-  
11 tive public housing tenants shall be taken from the waiting list in the  
12 order in which they applied for the size appropriate unit, subject  
13 however to preferences and priorities provided for in [the public hous-  
14 ing law] THIS CHAPTER and all applicable rules and regulations;  
15 PROVIDED, HOWEVER THAT, ANY PRIORITY OR PREFERENCE OFFERED TO APPLICANTS  
16 BASED ON THEIR RESIDENCE IN A CITY OWNED, OPERATED OR CONTRACTED HOME-  
17 LESS SHELTER MUST ALSO BE OFFERED EQUITABLY AND EVENLY TO APPLICANTS  
18 RESIDING IN A CITY OWNED, OPERATED OR CONTRACTED DOMESTIC VIOLENCE SHEL-  
19 TER OR IN A DOMESTIC VIOLENCE SHELTER LICENSED BY THE OFFICE OF CHILDREN  
20 AND FAMILY SERVICES.

21 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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