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IN SENATE

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Introduced by Sen. COMRIE -- read twice and ordered printed, and when printed to be committed to the Committee on Housing, Construction and Community Development -- recommitted to the Committee on Housing, Construction and Community Development in accordance with Senate Rule 6, sec. 8 -- committee discharged, bill amended, ordered reprinted as amended and recommitted to said committee

AN ACT to amend the public housing law, in relation to requiring that the New York city housing authority include a notice informing a prospective tenant or tenant of the ability to add legal occupants to the lease or renewal lease, and provide, upon request, a tenant with a form to add additional legal occupants

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

1 Section 1. Section 402 of the public housing law is amended by adding
2 a new subdivision 6-a to read as follows:

3 6-a. a. The New York city housing authority shall include with every
4 lease or renewal lease offered to a prospective or current tenant, a
5 separate, clear and conspicuous notice, in at least sixteen-point bold-
6 face type, concerning the tenant's ability to add additional legal occu-
7 pants to the lease agreement.

8 b. Upon receipt of a tenant's request for a form to add an additional
9 legal occupant to his or her lease agreement, the authority shall, with-
10 in seven days, provide the tenant with clear information regarding how
11 to apply in person or online, along with a notice informing the tenant
12 of the right to grieve the denial of any occupancy permission request.
13 Any form required by the authority to request such occupancy permission
14 shall be made available for review and submission in person, on the
15 authority's website, and through the authority's mobile application.

16 c. Upon receipt of a tenant's request to add an additional legal occu-
17 pant to his or her lease agreement, the authority shall provide the
18 tenant, in writing, with confirmation of receipt of the application,

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

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1 information regarding how the tenant may inquire as to the status of
2 such request, and the expected date of the authority's response to such
3 request.

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