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# IN ASSEMBLY

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Introduced by M. of A. L. ROSENTHAL -- read once and referred to the Committee on Housing

AN ACT in relation to suspending evictions for tenants who are forced to spend time away from their rent regulated residences and cannot meet certain occupancy requirements

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

Section 1. Notwithstanding any law to the contrary, where a tenant has signed a lease and is occupying a rent regulated residence and such lease requires such tenant to occupy such residence as his or her primary residence for a period of greater than one-half of a calendar year, or one hundred eighty-three days, and due to COVID-19 such tenant has not been able to occupy such residence as his or her primary residence pursuant to the requirements of such lease, beginning from the date of the state of emergency declared by executive order 202 that began on March 7, 2020 until such state of emergency is lifted any days spent away from such residence due to COVID-19 shall not be counted towards any rent regulation occupancy time requirement, and shall not be grounds for eviction pursuant to chapter 3 of title 26 of the administrative code of the city of New York.

§ 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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