STATE OF NEW YORK

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2021-2022 Regular Sessions

IN SENATE

May 20, 2021

Introduced by Sen. KAVANAGH -- (at request of the NYC H.P.D.) -- 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 local emergency housing rent control act, in relation to the date in calendar year 2022 when the local legislative body of a city having a population of one million or more may determine the continuation of the emergency; and providing for the repeal of such provisions upon the expiration thereof

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

Section 1. Subdivision 3 of section 1 of chapter 21 of the laws of 1962, constituting the local emergency housing rent control act, as amended by section 1 of part U of chapter 56 of the laws of 2020, is amended to read as follows:

3. Local determination as to continuation of emergency. The continuation, after May thirty-first, nineteen hundred sixty-seven, of the public emergency requiring the regulation and control of residential rents and evictions within cities having a population of one million or more shall be a matter for local determination within each such city. Any such determination shall be made by the local legislative body of such city on or before April first, nineteen hundred sixty-seven and at least once in every third year thereafter following a survey which the city shall cause to be made of the supply of housing accommodations within such city, the condition of such accommodations and the need for continuing the regulation and control of residential rents and evictions within such city, provided, however, that when the date by which such determination shall be made falls in a calendar year immediately following a calendar year during which a federal decennial census is conducted, such date shall be postponed by one year**, and provided,**

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

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further, that to ensure sufficient time to complete such survey in the context of the COVID-19 pandemic, the date by which such determination shall be made by the local legislative body in calendar year 2022 shall be postponed until July 1, 2022. Such survey shall be submitted to such legislative body not less than thirty nor more than sixty days prior to the date of any such determination.

§ 2. This act shall take effect immediately and shall expire and be deemed repealed on December 31, 2023, provided that such expiration and repeal shall not affect the validity of any determination consistent with this act made in calendar year 2022.