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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 to amend the public housing law, in relation to requiring the New York city housing authority to provide written notice to residents of certain disruptions to water services and to establish certain guidelines regarding the examination of water quality

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

Section 1. Subdivision 1 of section 402-e of the public housing law, as amended by chapter 47 of the laws of 2020, is amended to read as follows:

1. **(a)** In order to ensure compliance and enforcement of the New York city housing authority's duty to provide heat, water, electricity and elevator service, the New York city housing authority shall publish information regarding reported disruptions in such services, the length of such disruptions and the steps taken to restore services. Starting on May first, two thousand twenty, the New York city housing authority shall publish such information on its website. For six months after the original publication date, the New York city housing authority shall retain such information on its website.

(b) When a public utility or local, state or federal agency advises the New York city housing authority that certain residents of such authority should avoid the use of water for drinking or cooking, such authority shall provide written notice, in electronic and paper form, of such advice to the indicated residents and the resident association president or other formally recognized resident leader for the indicated development as soon as practical but no later than twenty-four hours after such authority has received such advice.

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

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

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1-a. The New York city housing authority shall establish appropriate measures, procedures, and guidelines, such as contract requirements and enforcement mechanisms, to ensure that all of its contractors and subcontractors, when collecting or examining water samples on behalf of such authority, comply with all federal, state, and local laws, rules, and regulations applicable to such collection or examination, including the provisions of section five hundred two of the public health law.

§ 3. This act shall take effect immediately.