

# STATE OF NEW YORK

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## IN ASSEMBLY

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

AN ACT to amend the private housing finance law, in relation to requiring the division of housing and community renewal to provide an annual report on the New York access to home programs

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

1 Section 1. Section 1203 of the private housing finance law, as added  
2 by a chapter of the laws of 2023 amending the private housing finance  
3 law relating to requiring the division of housing and community renewal  
4 to provide an annual report on the New York access to home programs, as  
5 proposed in legislative bills numbers S. 3139-A and A. 1686-A, is  
6 amended to read as follows:

7 § 1203. Report. 1. The division of housing and community renewal shall  
8 issue an annual report on the access to home programs regarding certain  
9 data and program progress for the previous year, provided that reporting  
10 on paragraphs (e), (f) and (g) of this subdivision shall relate to  
11 contracts that have concluded in the previous year, as applicable. Such  
12 report shall include, but not be limited to:

13 (a) the number of [~~contracts the corporation entered into with eligi-~~  
14 ~~ble applicants and the amount of funding both awarded and expended by~~  
15 ~~successful applicants~~] received applications to become local administra-  
16 tors;

17 (b) the number of [~~projects each eligible recipient completed~~] appli-  
18 cations to become local administrators selected for award and contract;

19 (c) the [~~types of projects completed by each eligible recipient,~~  
20 ~~including the average cost of each type of project~~] amount of funding  
21 awarded to local administrators;

22 (d) the geographic [~~diversity of the beneficiaries of each completed~~  
23 ~~project,~~

24 [~~e) the demographic information of the beneficiaries of each completed~~  
25 ~~project, including differentiating between renters and homeowners,~~

26 [~~f) the unmet demand for access to home programs who applied for fund-~~  
27 ~~ing through an access to home programs,~~

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

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1 ~~(g) how many persons with eligible properties were denied and the~~  
 2 ~~demographic information regarding such denied individuals, and~~  
 3 ~~(h) the average timeline for completion of each project] area to be~~  
 4 ~~served by local administrators;~~  
 5 ~~(e) the number of beneficiaries awarded;~~  
 6 ~~(f) the average award to beneficiaries; and~~  
 7 ~~(g) the number of potential beneficiaries who applied for an award and~~  
 8 ~~were deemed ineligible for such award.~~

9 2. Such report required pursuant to subdivision one of this section  
 10 shall be posted and made publicly available on the division of housing  
 11 and community renewal's website in a clear and conspicuous manner.

12 § 2. Section 1200 of the private housing finance law, as amended by a  
 13 chapter of the laws of 2023 amending the private housing finance law  
 14 relating to requiring the division of housing and community renewal to  
 15 provide an annual report on the New York access to home programs, as  
 16 proposed in legislative bills numbers S. 3139-A and A. 1686-A, is  
 17 amended to read as follows:

18 § 1200. Statement of legislative findings and purpose. The legislature  
 19 hereby finds and declares that there exists in New York state a serious  
 20 need for financial and technical resources to assist renters and proper-  
 21 ty owners to make dwelling units accessible for low and moderate income  
 22 persons with disabilities. Providing assistance with the cost of adapt-  
 23 ing homes will enable many New Yorkers with disabilities to safely and  
 24 comfortably continue to, or return to, live in their residences instead  
 25 of residing in an institutional setting. The division of housing and  
 26 community renewal shall undertake an ongoing effort to promote the  
 27 availability of the access to home programs to all potentially eligible  
 28 ~~[applicants and persons with eligible properties, as those terms are~~  
 29 ~~defined under this article, both]~~ local administrators to encourage  
 30 participation in the program ~~[and gauge unmet need]~~. Such actions shall  
 31 include working with any other state agencies that provide services to  
 32 persons with disabilities to promote the access to home programs. Such  
 33 actions shall also include but are not limited to providing contact and  
 34 application information on the website for the division of housing and  
 35 community renewal for eligible ~~[applicants]~~ local administrators and  
 36 ~~[persons with eligible properties]~~ potentially eligible beneficiaries  
 37 which shall be updated annually.

38 § 3. This act shall take effect on the same date and in the same  
 39 manner as a chapter of the laws of 2023 amending the private housing  
 40 finance law relating to requiring the division of housing and community  
 41 renewal to provide an annual report on the New York access to home  
 42 programs, as proposed in legislative bills numbers S. 3139-A and A.  
 43 1686-A, takes effect.