

# STATE OF NEW YORK

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## IN SENATE

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Introduced by Sens. MANNION, COMRIE, JACKSON, KAVANAGH -- read twice and ordered printed, and when printed to be committed to the Committee on Housing, Construction and Community Development -- reported favorably from said committee, ordered to first and second report, ordered to a third reading, passed by Senate and delivered to the Assembly, recalled, vote reconsidered, restored to third reading, amended and ordered reprinted, retaining its place in the order of third reading

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. The private housing finance law is amended by adding a new  
2 section 1203 to read as follows:

3 § 1203. Report. 1. The division of housing and community renewal shall  
4 issue an annual report on the access to home programs regarding certain  
5 data and program progress for the previous year. Such report shall  
6 include, but not be limited to:

7 (a) the number of contracts the corporation entered into with eligible  
8 applicants and the amount of funding both awarded and expended by  
9 successful applicants;

10 (b) the number of projects each eligible recipient completed;

11 (c) the types of projects completed by each eligible recipient,  
12 including the average cost of each type of project;

13 (d) the geographic diversity of the beneficiaries of each completed  
14 project;

15 (e) the demographic information of the beneficiaries of each completed  
16 project, including differentiating between renters and homeowners;

17 (f) the unmet demand for access to home programs who applied for fund-  
18 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.

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

7 § 2. Section 1200 of the private housing finance law, as added by  
8 chapter 159 of the laws of 2006, is amended to read as follows:

9 § 1200. Statement of legislative findings and purpose. The legislature  
10 hereby finds and declares that there exists in New York state a serious  
11 need for financial and technical resources to assist renters and proper-  
12 ty owners to make dwelling units accessible for low and moderate income  
13 persons with disabilities. Providing assistance with the cost of adapt-  
14 ing homes will enable many New Yorkers with disabilities to safely and  
15 comfortably continue to, or return to, live in their residences instead  
16 of residing in an institutional setting. The division of housing and  
17 community renewal shall undertake an ongoing effort to promote the  
18 availability of the access to home programs to all eligible applicants  
19 and persons with eligible properties, as those terms are defined under  
20 this article, both to encourage participation in the program and gauge  
21 unmet need. Such actions shall include working with any other state  
22 agencies that provide services to persons with disabilities to promote  
23 the access to home programs. Such actions shall also include but are not  
24 limited to providing contact and application information on the website  
25 for the division of housing and community renewal for eligible appli-  
26 cants and persons with eligible properties which shall be updated annu-  
27 ally.

28 § 3. This act shall take effect on the one hundred eightieth day after  
29 it shall have become a law.