

STATE OF NEW YORK

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IN SENATE

May 16, 2024

Introduced by Sen. KAVANAGH -- read twice and ordered printed, and when printed to be committed to the Committee on Finance

AN ACT to amend the public housing law and chapter 53 of the laws of 2024, enacting the aid to localities budget, in relation to authorizing funding that would affirmatively further fair housing including client intake and enforcement actions not directly tied to fair housing testing

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

- 1 Section 1. Subdivision 2 of section 600 of the public housing law, as
2 added by chapter 690 of the laws of 2021, is amended to read as follows:
3 2. The commissioner and all covered housing agencies shall administer
4 all such programs and activities related to housing and community devel-
5 opment in a manner that affirmatively furthers fair housing and shall
6 cooperate with the commissioner to further such purpose. Any funding
7 appropriated to any covered housing agency for fair housing testing
8 shall include any services and expenses that further the purposes of
9 this section including but not limited to client intake and enforcement
10 actions not directly tied to fair housing testing.
11 § 2. Section 1 of chapter 53 of the laws of 2024, enacting the aid to
12 localities budget, is amended by repealing the items herein below set
13 forth in brackets and by adding to such section the other items under-
14 scored in this section:

15 DIVISION OF HOUSING AND COMMUNITY RENEWAL

16 AID TO LOCALITIES 2024-25

17 FAIR HOUSING TESTING

18 General Fund

19 Local Assistance Account - 10000

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

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1 For services and expenses of fair housing
 2 testing, including but not be limited to
 3 services and expenses that would result in
 4 affirmatively furthering fair housing
 5 pursuant to section 600 of the public
 6 housing law such as client intake and
 7 enforcement actions not directly tied to
 8 fair housing testing. Notwithstanding any
 9 other provision of the law to the contra-
 10 ry, funds appropriated herein may be
 11 suballocated or transferred to any aid to
 12 localities, state operations, or capital
 13 appropriation of any state department,
 14 agency, or public authority for the
 15 purposes stated herein (31498) 2,000,000

16 For additional funding for the services and
 17 expenses of fair housing testing, includ-
 18 ing but not be limited to services and
 19 expenses that would result in affirmative-
 20 ly furthering fair housing pursuant to
 21 section 600 of the public housing law such
 22 as client intake and enforcement actions
 23 not directly tied to fair housing testing.
 24 Notwithstanding any other provision of the
 25 law to the contrary, funds appropriated
 26 herein may be suballocated or transferred
 27 to any aid to localities, state oper-
 28 ations, or capital appropriation of any
 29 state department, agency, or public
 30 authority for the purposes stated herein 2,000,000
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32 § 3. This act shall take effect immediately.