STATE OF NEW YORK

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IN ASSEMBLY

April 14, 2026

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

AN ACT to amend the public housing law, in relation to priority applicants and inspection of units under the housing access voucher pilot program

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

Section 1. Subdivision 3 of section 608 of the public housing law, as added by section 1 of part HH of chapter 56 of the laws of 2025, is amended to read as follows:

3. Priority shall be given **both** to applicants who are homeless **and to applicants who are at risk of losing their federal rental subsidy due to the imminent termination, reduction of funding, or changes in eligibility in federal law or policy of the federal program that provides such rental subsidy**. The commissioner shall have the discretion to establish further priorities as appropriate.

§ 2. Section 613 of the public housing law, as added by section 1 of part HH of chapter 56 of the laws of 2025, is amended to read as follows:

§ 613. Inspection of units. [~~Inspection of~~] **Housing access voucher local administrators shall inspect** units [~~shall be conducted pursuant to the procedures and standards of the Federal Housing Choice voucher program, as set forth in the applicable sections of Part 982 of Title 24 of the Code of Federal Regulations~~] **for which a housing assistance payment contract is established under this article, except as provided in section six hundred sixteen of this article**.

§ 3. This act shall take effect immediately; provided, however, that the amendments to sections 608 and 613 of the public housing law made by sections one and two of this act shall not affect the expiration of such sections and shall expire therewith.

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

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