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Introduced by M. of A. COOK, WALKER, HYNDMAN, TAYLOR, SAYEGH, LAVINE --
read once and referred to the Committee on Cities

AN ACT to amend the administrative code of the city of New York, in
relation to limiting the number of shelters in council districts

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

1 Section 1. The administrative code of the city of New York is amended
2 by adding a new section 21-315.1 to read as follows:

3 § 21-315.1 Limits on shelter capacity of council districts. a. For the
4 purposes of this section, the following terms shall have the following
5 meanings:

6 1. "Capacity" shall mean the number of shelter beds provided for indi-
7 vidual homeless single adults and the number of shelter units provided
8 for homeless adult families and families with children.

9 2. "Shelter" shall mean temporary emergency housing provided to home-
10 less adults, adult families, and families with children by the depart-
11 ment or a provider under contract or similar agreement with the depart-
12 ment.

13 b. The department shall limit the shelter capacity of each council
14 district within the city of New York to no more than fifteen percent of
15 the total shelter capacity of the borough where such council district is
16 located. The department shall not renew any shelter contract or similar
17 agreement if the council district where such shelter is located has more
18 than fifteen percent of the total shelter capacity of the borough where
19 such council district is located.

20 § 2. This act shall take effect six months after it shall have become
21 a law.

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

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