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Introduced by Sen. CLEARE -- read twice and ordered printed, and when printed to be committed to the Committee on Housing, Construction and Community Development

AN ACT to amend the public housing law, in relation to preferences and priorities for prospective public housing and section 8 tenants in the city of New York

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

Section 1. Paragraph (e) of subdivision 3 of section 402-b of the public housing law, as added by chapter 3 of the laws of 2010, is amended to read as follows:

(e) All prospective public housing and Section 8 tenants shall be selected from a waiting list which shall be maintained by the New York city housing authority in compliance with the federal public housing and Section 8 laws and all applicable rules and regulations. The New York city housing authority and each respective project owner shall screen tenants and jointly have final approval over tenant selection all in accordance with aforementioned laws, rules and regulations. All prospective public housing tenants shall be taken from the waiting list in the order in which they applied for the size appropriate unit, subject however to preferences and priorities provided for in [~~the public housing law~~] **this chapter** and all applicable rules and regulations**; provided, however that, any priority or preference offered to applicants based on their residence in a city owned, operated or contracted domestic violence shelter or in a domestic violence shelter licensed by the office of children and family services shall be offered at the highest priority level offered to any other class of applicants**.

§ 2. This act shall take effect immediately.

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

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