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IN SENATE

March 31, 2026

Introduced by Sen. BOTTCHER -- read twice and ordered printed, and when printed to be committed to the Committee on Cities 1

AN ACT to amend the administrative code of the city of New York, in relation to artist preferences in housing

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

Section 1. Paragraph (n) of subdivision 5 of section 8-107 of the administrative code of the city of New York, as amended by local law number 40 of the city of New York for the year 2016, is amended to read as follows:

(n) Discrimination on the basis of occupation prohibited in housing accommodations. **(1)** Where a housing accommodation or an interest therein is sought or occupied exclusively for residential purposes, the provisions of this subdivision shall be construed to prohibit discrimination on account of a person's occupation in:

[~~(1)~~] **(A)** The sale, rental, or leasing of such housing accommodation or interest therein;

[~~(2)~~] **(B)** The terms, conditions and privileges of the sale, rental or leasing of such housing accommodation or interest therein;

[~~(3)~~] **(C)** Furnishing facilities or services in connection therewith; and

[~~(4)~~] **(D)** Representing whether or not such housing accommodation or interest therein is available for sale, rental, or leasing.

(2) Nothing in subparagraph one of this paragraph shall prohibit giving occupancy preference to individuals who are involved in artistic activities, provided that such preference is implemented or authorized by an agency or the state of New York.

§ 2. This act shall take effect on the ninetieth day after it shall have become a law.

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

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