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A Local Law to amend the administrative code of the city of New York, in relation to rental assistance vouchers

Be it enacted by the Council as follows:

Section 1. Chapter 1 of title 21 of the administrative code of the City of New York is amended by

adding a new section 21-139 to read as follows:

§ 21-139 Use of rental assistance vouchers. a. Definitions. For the purposes of this section, the following terms have the following meanings:

Fair market rent. The term "fair market rent" means the rent levels for the New York metro area

established by the United States department of housing and urban development.

Household. The term "household" means the individuals or families who are in receipt of any rental assistance vouchers.

Maximum rental allowances. The term "maximum rental allowances" means the maximum rent toward which rental assistance vouchers may be applied.

Rental assistance voucher. The term "rental assistance voucher" means any fully city-funded housing rental subsidy for homeless families and individuals.

b. Eligibility. There shall be no limit on the period of time during which an otherwise eligible household may receive a rental assistance voucher.

c. Maximum rental allowances. Maximum rental allowances shall be indexed to the fair market rent.

d. The requirements of this section shall be subject to appropriation.

§ 2. This local law takes effect 120 days after it becomes law, except that the commissioner of social services may take such measures as are necessary for the implementation of this local law, including the promulgation of rules, before such date.

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