

Int. No. 229-A

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A Local Law to amend the administrative code of the city of New York, in relation to monthly rental assistance payments for households with rental assistance vouchers

Be it enacted by the Council as follows:

1 Section 1. Section 21-145 of the administrative code of the city of New York, as amended
2 by a local law for the year 2023, relating to income and work requirements for rental assistance,
3 as proposed in introduction number 894-A, is amended by adding new subdivisions d, e, and f to
4 read as follows:

5 d. Amount of monthly rental assistance. The department shall provide monthly rental
6 assistance to an owner or a landlord on behalf of a household in receipt of a rental assistance
7 voucher in the amount equal to the actual monthly rent of the leased apartment or single room
8 occupancy, up to the maximum rental allowance, minus the household rent contribution. The
9 department shall not deduct a utility allowance from such amount.

10 e. Utility allowance deduction. 1. The department shall provide that when a household rents
11 an apartment or single room occupancy for less than the maximum rental allowance, the household
12 rent contribution shall be reduced by the difference between the maximum rental allowance and
13 the actual rent, up to the amount of the utility allowance.

14 2. If the amount by which the household rent contribution is reduced pursuant to paragraph
15 1 of this subdivision is greater than the household's rent contribution, the department shall issue a
16 check to the household in the amount of such excess within the month in which such excess is
17 accrued.

1 3. If the household receives a shelter allowance that is reduced by the amount allowed by
2 paragraph 1 of this subdivision, the department shall issue a check to the household in the amount
3 of such reduction within the month in which such reduction is accrued.

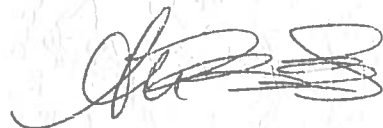
4 f. Within 15 days of the effective date of the local law that added subdivision d, e, and f of
5 this section, and continuing thereafter, the commissioner, in consultation with the commissioner
6 of housing preservation and development, shall conduct culturally appropriate outreach on this
7 section to relevant agencies, stakeholders, landlords, and families and individuals experiencing
8 homelessness in the designated citywide languages, as defined in section 23-1101.

9 § 2. This local law takes effect on the same date as a local law for the year 2023 amending
10 the administrative code of the city of New York, relating to prohibiting the department of social
11 services from requiring an applicant for a rental assistance voucher to have resided or reside in a
12 shelter of any type, as proposed in introduction number 878-A, takes effect.

**I hereby certify that the above bill was passed by the Council of the City of
Thursday, May 25, 2023
New York onreceiving the following votes:**

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5/17/2023 9:50 pm

Affirmative.....41.....
Negative.....7.....
Abstentions.....0.....



Michael M. McSweeney, City Clerk, Clerk of the Council.

**ALISA FUENTES
ACTING CITY CLERK**

DISAPPROVED

ON THE 17th DAY OF June 2023
[Signature] MAYOR