

CITY COUNCIL
CITY OF NEW YORK

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TRANSCRIPT OF THE MINUTES

Of the

COMMITTEE ON HOUSING AND BUILDINGS

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July 14, 2016
Start: 11:01 a.m.
Recess: 11:20 a.m.

HELD AT: Council Chambers - City Hall

B E F O R E: JUMAANE D. WILLIAMS
Chairperson

COUNCIL MEMBERS: Rosie Mendez
Ydanis A. Rodriguez
Robert E. Cornegy, Jr.
Rafael L. Espinal, Jr.
Mark Levine
Helen K. Rosenthal
Ritchie J. Torres
Barry S. Grodenchik
Rafael Salamanca, Jr.
Eric A. Ulrich

A P P E A R A N C E S (CONTINUED)

2 [sound check, pause]

3 [gavel]

4 SERGEANT-AT-ARMS: Quiet, please.

5 CHAIRPERSON WILLIAMS: Good morning,
6 everybody. I'm going to read about a 13-page
7 opening, and then we're [laughs]-- Good morning.
8 I'm Jumaane Williams Chair of the Council's Committee
9 on Housing and Buildings. We've been joined by
10 Council Members Grodenchik, Espinal, Cornegy, Torres
11 and Rosenthal and Rodriguez. We're here today to
12 conduct a vote on Proposed Intro Nos. 1169-A
13 sponsored by myself by request of the Mayor, which
14 includes several technical and substantive city
15 specific amendments to the State Energy Code, and
16 also the energy standards of the American Society of
17 Heating, Refrigerating and Air Conditioning
18 Engineers. As new construction continues to develop
19 everyday, we must ensure that new buildings have a
20 minimal impact on our environment. The State Energy
21 Law permits municipalities to promulgate local energy
22 conservation construction codes provided that those
23 codes are at least as stringent as the State Energy
24 Code. As the State recently amended certain
25 provisions of the State Energy Code, this bill

2 updates certain provisions of the New York City
3 Energy Conservation Code to match or exceed the new
4 state standards. I'd like to thank my staff for they
5 did to assembly this hearing including Nick Smith, my
6 Deputy Chief of Staff and Legislative Director; Jim
7 Wilcox and Megan Chin, counsel to the Committee;
8 Guillermo Patino and Jose Conde, Policy Analyst to
9 the Committee and Sarah Gastelum, the Committee's
10 Finance Analyst. With that, I'd like to ask the
11 clerk to please call the roll.

12 CLERK: William Martin, Committee Clerk,
13 roll call vote Committee on Housing and Buildings,
14 Intro 1169-A. Chair Williams.

15 CHAIRPERSON WILLIAMS: I vote aye.

16 CLERK: Rodriguez.

17 COUNCIL MEMBER RODRIGUEZ: [off mic] Aye.

18 CLERK: Cornegy.

19 COUNCIL MEMBER CORNEGY: [off mic] Aye.

20 CLERK: Espinal.

21 COUNCIL MEMBER ESPINAL: Aye.

22 CLERK: Levine.

23 COUNCIL MEMBER LEVINE: Aye.

24 CLERK: Rosenthal.

25 COUNCIL MEMBER ROSENTHAL: I vote aye.

2 CLERK: Torres. Grodenchik.

3 COUNCIL MEMBER GRODENCHIK: Aye.

4 CLERK: By a vote of 8 in the
5 affirmative, 0 in the negative and no abstentions,
6 the item has been adopted.

7 [pause]

8 CHAIRPERSON WILLIAMS: Thank you, and
9 we'll hold the roll open for 20 minutes for all the
10 members to come in and vote. [pause]

11 CLERK: Continuation roll call the
12 Committee on Housing and Buildings. Council Member
13 Mendez.

14 COUNCIL MEMBER MENDEZ: I vote aye.

15 CLERK: The vote now stands at 9 in the
16 affirmative. [pause] The final vote now Committee on
17 Housing and Buildings stands at 9 in the affirmative
18 0 in the negative and no abstentions.

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Date July 15, 2016