**CURRENT INTRODUCTION NUMBER:**

Int. No. 85-A

**PRIME SPONSORS:**

By Council Members Kallos, Levine, Brannan, Salamanca, Rosenthal, Rivera, Chin, Dromm and Lander (by request of the Manhattan Borough President)

**TITLE:**

A Local Law to amend the administrative code of the city of New York, in relation to housing accommodations and tenant blacklists

**BILL SUMMARY:**

**This plain language summary is for informational purposes only and does not substitute for legal counsel. For more information, you should review the full text of the bill, which is available online at legistar.council.nyc.gov.**

This bill seeks to mirror recent State law changes by prohibiting landlords from considering refusing to rent to prospective tenants solely because they appear on a “Tenant Blacklist.” Tenant screening lists are used to identify supposedly risky renters by naming tenants who have been involved in a Housing Court case. The bill adds participating in a housing court proceeding to the list of protected classes in the housing accommodations section of the civil rights title of the administrative code.

**CODE SECTIONS AFFECTED:**

* Administrative Code § 8-107
* Administrative Code § 8-126

**EFFECTIVE DATE:**

Immediately

**NOTE:** In the full bill text online at legistar.council.nyc.gov, language in proposed consolidated laws that is enclosed by [brackets] would be deleted, and language that is underlined would be new. Language in proposed unconsolidated laws, in contrast, will not have brackets or underlining because it would be entirely new. Consolidation means that the law is placed in the New York City Charter or Administrative Code.

**LEGISLATIVE IMPACT:**

*Please select any of the following which apply to this legislation.*

**☐** **Agency Rulemaking Required**: Is City agency rulemaking required?

**☐ Report Required**: Is a report due to Council required?

**☐ Oversight**: Are there seemingly clear points for City agency oversight and/or evaluation?

**☐** **Sunset Date Included**: Does the legislation have a sunset date?

**☐ Grace Period Applies**: In the case of fines or other penalties, is a grace period established?

**☐** **Council Appointment Required**: Is an appointment by the Council required?

**☐** **Other Appointment Required**: Are other appointments not by the Council required?

**☐ Council Operations**: Might this law affect the Council’s own operations?