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3/7/2024	*	City Council	Referred to Comm by Council	
12/4/2024	*	Committee on Governmental Operations, State & Federal Legislation	Hearing Held by Committee	
12/4/2024	*	Committee on Governmental Operations, State & Federal Legislation	Laid Over by Committee	
2/27/2025	*	Committee on Governmental Operations, State & Federal Legislation	Hearing Held by Committee	
2/27/2025	*	Committee on Governmental Operations, State & Federal Legislation	Amendment Proposed by Comm	
2/27/2025	*	Committee on Governmental Operations, State & Federal Legislation	Amended by Committee	
2/27/2025	A	Committee on Governmental Operations, State & Federal Legislation	Approved by Committee	Pass
2/27/2025	A	City Council	Approved by Council	Pass
2/27/2025	A	City Council	Sent to Mayor by Council	

3/29/2025	A	Administration	City Charter Rule Adopted
3/31/2025	A	City Council	Returned Unsigned by Mayor

Int. No. 565-A

By Council Members Brewer, Hanif, Ung, Restler, Hudson, Cabán, Rivera, Menin, Sanchez, Brooks-Powers, Banks, Schulman, Ayala, Hanks, Ossé, Krishnan, Gennaro, Narcisse, Louis, Bottcher, Farías, Joseph, Won and Mealy

A Local Law to amend the New York city charter, in relation to providing survivors of domestic violence with guidance on making voter registration records confidential and voting by special ballot

Be it enacted by the Council as follows:

Section 1. Subdivision 10 of section 1057-a of the New York city charter, as added by local law number 6 for the year 2019, is redesignated subdivision 11.

§ 2. Section 1057-a of the New York city charter is amended by adding a new subdivision 12 to read as follows:

12. a. For purposes of this subdivision, the terms “family justice center” and “survivor” have the same meanings as set forth in section 3-180 of the administrative code of the city of New York.

b. The campaign finance board, in consultation with the office to end domestic and gender-based violence and the board of elections, shall produce written guidance on the procedures for:

(1) requesting that a voter registration record be kept confidential pursuant to section 5-508 of the election law; and

(2) voting by special ballot pursuant to section 11-306 of the election law.

c. The office to end domestic and gender-based violence shall:

(1) distribute such written guidance at family justice centers;

(2) in consultation with the administration for children’s services, the commission on human rights, community boards, the department of health and mental hygiene, the department of homeless services, the department of housing preservation and development, the department of youth and community development, and the human resources administration, distribute such written guidance to survivors who receive services

from a city agency or a contractor of the city; and

(3) upon request, provide survivors with information regarding how to obtain assistance in preparing and submitting a written statement required for:

(a) requesting that a voter registration record be kept confidential pursuant to section 5-508 of the election law; or

(b) voting by special ballot pursuant to section 11-306 of the election law.

§ 3. This local law takes effect immediately.

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