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A Local Law to amend the administrative code of the city of New York, in relation to requiring drop-in centers to participate in the streamlined intake process for runaway and homeless youth to transition into adult shelters.

Be it enacted by the Council as follows:

Section 1. Subdivision b of section 21-405 of the administrative code of the city of New York, as added by local law number 81 for the year 2018, is amended to read as follows:

b. The department of homeless services and the department shall create and maintain an intake and assessment process for runaway youth and homeless youth who have reached the age [and/]or time limitations applicable to department-funded shelter services or, as designated by the department, other runaway or homeless youth receiving shelter services, and who seek to transition from runaway and homeless youth shelter services to a department of homeless services shelter. Such process shall permit eligible runaway youth or homeless youth to bypass entry into an intake center or assessment shelter operated by the department of homeless services when the department, or an organization that receives funding from the department to provide shelter services, provides demographic and social services information for any such youth, as agreed upon between the department and the department of homeless services, in advance of such youth's presentation to the department of homeless services shelter system. Such process shall originate at a transitional independent living support program [or], a runaway and homeless youth crisis services program, or a drop-in center funded by the department. The intake and assessment bypass permitted pursuant to this section and any necessary information sharing between the department of homeless services and the department-funded

program or the department shall only occur with the consent of such youth.

§ 2. This local law takes effect immediately.

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