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A Local Law to amend the administrative code of the city of New York, in relation to requiring the department of homeless services and the human resources administration to track and report certain data regarding rental assistance programs

Be it enacted by the Council as follows:

Section 1. Chapter 3 of title 21 of the administrative code of the city of New York is amended by adding a new section 21-328 to read as follows:

§ 21-328 Reporting requirements regarding the city fighting homelessness & eviction prevention supplement. a. Definitions. For the purposes of this section, the following terms have the following meanings: City fighting homelessness & eviction prevention supplement (CityFHEPS). The term city fighting homelessness & eviction prevention supplement (CityFHEPS) means the housing subsidy provided to eligible families who are experiencing homelessness or facing eviction and at risk of homelessness for non-payment of rent, established in chapter 10 of title 68 of the rules of the city of New York.

Household. The term household means a single individual or family, including couples without dependent children who are eligible to receive transitional housing or services from the department of homeless services or the human resources administration pursuant to federal, state and local laws and such rules and regulations as may be promulgated pursuant thereto.

b. Yearly reports regarding CityFHEPS. Beginning no later than March 31, 2024, and no later than the last day of March following each calendar year thereafter, the commissioner, in consultation with the

commissioner of the human resources administration/department of social services, shall submit to the speaker of the city council, and shall make available on its website, a report that includes, at a minimum, the following information, if known:

1. The number of households that exited DHS shelter in the prior calendar year using CityFHEPS, disaggregated by:

(a) household type, which includes families with children, adult families, and single adults, and the borough they exited to;

(b) household type, which includes families with children, adult families, and single adults, and primary language spoken by the family, further disaggregated by speakers of English, the designated citywide languages as determined pursuant to section 23-1101, and a category of all other languages; and

(c) household type, which includes families with children, adult families, and single adults, and the reason for CityFHEPS subsidy eligibility.

2. The number of households that were previously enrolled in the program two calendar years prior, including the number that have returned to shelter within 12 months, disaggregated by:

(a) household type, which includes families with children, adult families, and single adults and borough; and

(b) household type, which includes families with children, adult families, and single adults and primary language spoken.

3. Information regarding the CityFHEPS program, including the following:

(a) number of households currently enrolled in the program, disaggregated by placements from a DHS shelter, HRA domestic violence shelter, any DHS street outreach program, DYCD runaway and homeless youth program, ACS program and households living in community;

(b) number of households previously enrolled in the program, including the number that no longer receive the subsidy, the number that no longer receive the subsidy and received the subsidy for the maximum

period of time allowed under such program, the number that have applied for shelter, the number that have returned to shelter after having been enrolled for any length of time, and the number that have returned to shelter after having been enrolled in the program for the maximum period of time allowed under such program;

(c) the number of newly placed households since the prior report was published; and

(d) the number of households enrolled without utilizing the subsidy, disaggregated by greater than six months, greater than one year, greater than two years and greater than three years.

c. No reporting shall be required for any disaggregated data with cohorts smaller than 10 households.

§ 3. This local law takes effect immediately.

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