LOCAL LAWS OF THE CITY OF NEW YORK

FOR THE YEAR 1998

No. 37

Introduced by Council Members DiBrienza, Eldridge, Malave-Dilan, Cruz, Dear, Lasher, Leffler and Marshall.

A LOCAL LAW

To amend the administrative code of the city of New York, in relation to reporting requirements for shelters for adults, case management services for the homeless, and the use of officers or employees of the city.

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 amending subdivision e of section 21-312, and sections 21-314 and 21-315, as enacted by that certain local law for the year 1998 which enacted introductory number 317-A, to read as follows:
- e. The commissioner shall submit to the speaker of the council quarterly reports summarizing the health, sanitation, safety and fire protection-related deficiencies identified in any inspection of a shelter for adults conducted by any state agency, including but not limited to the office of temporary and disability assistance, the office of children and family services, and the New York state department of health; any city agency including, but not limited to, the New York city fire department[;], the New York city department of health, [the New York city department of homeless services] and the New York city department of buildings[,and]; any other government agency [or]; and any organization [identified] appointed by any court. The first such report shall be due [ten] thirty business days following the calendar quarter ending September thirtieth, nineteen hundred and ninety-eight and all subsequent reports shall be due [ten] thirty business days following the last day of each succeeding calendar quarter. Such quarterly reports shall include, but not be limited to, the following:
- 1. a list of all deficiencies identified by any state, city or other inspecting government agencies [and] or organizations [or] appointed by any court during the quarter which have not yet been brought into compliance with applicable statutes, laws, rules and regulations and [a schedule for compliance] the date on which deficiencies previously reported to the speaker of the council were brought into compliance;

- a list of all deficiencies identified by the fire department in three or more consecutive inspections which have not yet been brought into compliance with applicable statutes, laws, rules and regulations;
- 3. [The date on which deficiencies previously reported to the speaker of the council were brought into compliance and a summary of the actions taken to achieve compliance;
- 4.] a copy of all court orders regarding health, sanitation, safety and fire protection-related deficiencies issued during the quarter; and
- [5.] 4. a copy of all corrective action plans, and amendments thereto, regarding health, sanitation, safety and fire protection-related deficiencies filed with any court during the quarter.
- § 21-314 Case management services. The commissioner shall provide case management services to all persons assigned to stay at department of homeless services facilities or the facilities of organizations contracting with the department of homeless services who are either waiting for the department of homeless services to determine their eligibility for shelter or are receiving such shelter. Such case management services shall include, but not be limited to, assistance obtaining (a) medical treatment, (b) federal, state and local government [benefits and] documents [issued by such government entities], including, but not limited to, birth certificates, marriage licenses, and housing records, and (c) food, medicine and other necessary supplies; and shall address issues such as domestic violence, child abuse and mental illness, when needed.
- § 21-315 Use of officers or employees of the city. a. Whenever the department of homeless services directly operates an adult or family shelter, the commissioner shall use officers or employees of the city in the classified municipal services to provide all services, to the extent consistent with existing statutes, laws, regulations and rules; except that, the department of homeless services may continue to provide a service through the use of a private contractor at a directly-operated shelter where such service was provided by a private contractor on the effective date of this section.
- § 2. This local law shall take effect simultaneously with or immediately after that certain local law which enacted proposed introductory number 317-A, but in no event shall it take effect prior to such local law.

THE CITY OF NEW YORK, OFFICE OF THE CITY CLERK, s.s.:

I hereby certify that the foregoing is a true copy of a local law of The City of New York, passed by the Council on July 15, 1998, and returned unsigned by the Mayor on August 31, 1998.

CARLOS CUEVAS, City Clerk, Clerk of the Council

CERTIFICATION PURSUANT TO MUNICIPAL HOME RULE LAW $\S~27$

Pursuant to the provisions of Municipal Home Rule Law § 27, I hereby certify that the enclosed local law (Local Law 37 of 1998, Council Int. No. 338) contains the correct text and:

Received the following vote at the meeting of the New York City Council on July 15, 1998: 37 FOR, 4 AGAINST, 0 NOT VOTING.

Was returned unsigned by the Mayor on August 31, 1998.

Was returned to the City Clerk on August 31, 1998.

JEFFREY D. FRIEDLANDER, Acting Corporation Counsel