

ASSEMBLY, No. 2185

STATE OF NEW JERSEY

219th LEGISLATURE

PRE-FILED FOR INTRODUCTION IN THE 2020 SESSION

Sponsored by:

Assemblyman RAJ MUKHERJI

District 33 (Hudson)

Assemblywoman SHANIQUE SPEIGHT

District 29 (Essex)

Assemblywoman BRITNEE N. TIMBERLAKE

District 34 (Essex and Passaic)

Co-Sponsored by:

Assemblywoman McKnight and Assemblyman Wimberly

SYNOPSIS

Requires DCA to continuously maintain open enrollment period for federal Housing Choice Voucher Program pre-applications.

CURRENT VERSION OF TEXT

Introduced Pending Technical Review by Legislative Counsel.



(Sponsorship Updated As Of: 1/27/2020)

1 **AN ACT** concerning pre-applications for certain State-administered
2 federal rental assistance and supplementing P.L.1966, c.293
3 (C.52:27D-1 et seq.).

1. The Commissioner of Community Affairs shall, to the extent permitted by federal law, continuously maintain an open enrollment period in which rental assistance applicants may submit pre-applications to be placed on the waiting list for the federal Housing Choice Voucher Program, authorized pursuant to section 8 of the United States Housing Act of 1937 (42 U.S.C. s.1437f), that is administered by the department.

22 STATEMENT

27 Currently, federal and State law does not establish a specific
28 length of time in which program enrollment periods are required to
29 remain open. The bill provides that absent a federal requirement to
30 the contrary, the Housing Choice Voucher Program administered by
31 the DCA is required to maintain a year-long open enrollment
32 period. The bill also would allow persons to submit pre-
33 applications for the Housing Choice Voucher Program at any time
34 and thereby be placed on the program's waiting list.