

LOCAL LAW NO. "H" FOR 2019

A LOCAL LAW OF THE COUNTY OF ALBANY, NEW YORK AMENDING LOCAL LAW 8 FOR 2011 TO MODIFY THE PROCEDURES FOR IDENTIFYING INDIVIDUALS REQUIRED TO FILL OUT FINANCIAL DISCLOSURE FORMS

Introduced: 8/12/19

By Mr. A. Joyce and Ms. Plotsky:

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE COUNTY OF ALBANY AS FOLLOWS:

Local Law No. 8 for 2011, entitled "A Local Law of the County of Albany, New York Establishing a New Code of Ethics and Financial Disclosure Law for Officials and Employees of Albany County Government" is amended as follows:

SECTION 1.

Section 11(1) of Local Law No. 8 for 2011 is amended to read as follows:

SECTION 11. Annual Disclosure

1. Officers and employees required to file an annual financial disclosure statement.
 - (a) In January of each year, the Commissioner of Human Resources shall provide the Ethics Commission with a list of recommended titles, names, offices, and positions of all County officers and employees who are required, pursuant to this local law, to file an annual disclosure statement for the prior year.
 - (b) As soon as possible after the receipt of such list, the Ethics Commission shall review and adopt, subject to modification, the list of the titles, names, offices, and positions of all County officers and employees who are required, pursuant to this local law, to file an annual disclosure statements for the prior year ("Annual FDS Filer List").
 - (c) On or before March 1 of each year, the Ethics Commission shall file the Annual FDS Filer List with the County Clerk and Chairman of the Legislature for recording and distribution to the various agencies, departments, boards, commissions, and offices of the County, including the Board of Elections.

- (d) The Board of Elections shall take reasonable measures to attempt to identify and notify candidates for elected County office who are required to file an annual disclosure statement for the prior year pursuant to this local law.
- (e) On or before May 15 of each year, the persons identified in the Annual FDS Filer List and any qualified candidates for office shall notarize and submit the annual financial disclosure statement to the Clerk of the Legislature.

SECTION 2.

Section 12(1)(a) of Local Law 8 for 2011 is amended to read as follows:

- (a) Where a person requests the County or a County officer or employee to take or refrain from taking any action (other than a ministerial act) that may result in a financial benefit both to the requestor and to either any officer or employee of the County or any other person identified in the Annual FDS Filer List, the requestor shall disclose the names of any such persons, to the extent known to the requestor at the time of the request.

SECTION 3.

Appendix A of Local Law 8 for 2011 is deleted in its entirety.

SECTION 4.

This Local Law shall take effect immediately upon filing with the Secretary of State

Referred to Law Committee – 8/12/19

Favorable Recommendation Law Committee – 10/28/19

On long roll call vote the following members voted in favor: Messrs. Beston, Bullock, Burgdorf, Cahill, Ms. Chapman, Messrs. Clay, Commisso, Crouse, Ms. Cunningham, Messrs. Dawson, Domalewicz, Drake, Ethier, Feeney, Fein, Frainier, Grimm, Hogan, A. Joyce, R. Joyce, Mss. Lekakis, Lockart, Messrs. Mauriello, Mayo, Mss. McKnight, McLean Lane, Messrs. Miller, Peter, Ms. Plotsky, Messrs. Reinhardt, Simpson, Smith, Stevens, Tunny, Ward and Ms. Willingham – 36

Those opposed – 0

Local Law was adopted – 11/12/19