

CHAPTER 293

AN ACT concerning application options for certain State-administered housing, shelter, and rental assistance and supplementing P.L.1966, c.293 (C.52:27D-1 et seq.).

BE IT ENACTED *by the Senate and General Assembly of the State of New Jersey:*

C.52:27D-281b Non-Internet application method for housing, shelter, or rental assistance programs.

1. The Commissioner of Community Affairs shall establish, obtain, or arrange for a non-Internet application method for applicants for any housing, shelter, or rental assistance programs administered by the Department of Community Affairs, including but not limited to, rental assistance that is administered by the department and authorized pursuant to section 8 of the United States Housing Act of 1937 (42 U.S.C. s.1437f), the State rental assistance program, established pursuant to P.L.2004, c.140 (C.52:27D-287.1 et seq.), and any other similar State-administered programs related to housing, shelter, or rental assistance, to apply for such programs to the extent permitted by federal law.

2. This act shall take effect on January 1, 2027, except the commissioner may take any anticipatory administrative action in advance as shall be necessary for the implementation of this act.

Approved January 20, 2026.