

Council Bill 118993: Proposed Amendment for June 19, 2017 Full Council

Sponsor: Councilmember González

Amend CB 118993 to clarify that landlords are required to distribute the packet of information prepared by SDCI, that includes: (1) a summary of landlord-tenant regulations; and (2) a voter registration form and information about registering to vote.

Single underlines indicate new language originally proposed by in the Council Bill. ~~Single strikeouts~~ indicate language that was originally proposed to be removed from the Council Bill.

Double underlines indicate new language added in this amendment to the Council Bill. ~~Double strikeouts~~ indicate new language that is proposed in this amendment to be removed from the Council Bill.

Section 3. Section 7.24.080 of the Seattle Municipal Code, last amended by Ordinance 125222, is amended as follows:

7.24.080 Distribution of ((~~summaries~~)) information packets by landlord required

A. A copy of ((~~summaries~~)) the packet described in Section 7.24.070 that includes the summary prepared by the Director pursuant to ((~~Section 7.24.070~~)) subsection 7.24.070.A.1 that pertains to the type of tenancy or activity described in ((~~(a)~~)) that summary, shall be provided to any tenant or prospective tenant by or on behalf of a landlord when such rental agreement is offered, whether or not such agreement is for a new or renewal rental agreement. For a renewal of a rental agreement, the landlord may provide the copy of the ((~~summaries~~)) summary to the tenant electronically. A landlord must distribute the ((~~summaries~~)) summary annually to tenants having month-to-month tenancies.

B. A copy of the packet described in Section 7.24.070 that includes the information and voter registration form described in subsection 7.24.070.A.2 shall be provided by a landlord to any tenant or prospective tenant when a new rental agreement is offered by the landlord.

C. ~~((Where))~~ If there is an oral agreement, the landlord shall give the tenant copies of the ~~((summaries))~~ packet described in Section 7.24.070 either before entering into the oral agreement or as soon as reasonably possible after entering into the oral agreement.

D. ~~((For existing tenants, landlords))~~ Landlords shall, within 30 days after the Director makes the packet described in Section 7.24.070 available, ~~((or within a reasonable time thereafter,))~~ distribute ~~((current copies of))~~ the ~~((summaries))~~ packet ~~((described in Section 7.24.070))~~ to existing tenants. After passage of the ordinance introduced as Council Bill 118993, the Department shall update the packet to include the information described in subsection 7.24.070.A.2 and shall notify landlords that the updated ~~((summaries are))~~ packet is available for distribution to existing tenants.