



Broward County

Legislation Text

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Broward County Commission Regular Meeting

Director's Name: Andrew J. Meyers

Department: County Attorney

Information

Requested Action

MOTION TO ADOPT Resolution approving the "Notice of Rights" form prepared by the Resilient Environmental Department ("RED") for use in connection with the "Tenant's Bill of Rights and Notice of Late Fees Ordinance" and directing RED to publish the Notice of Rights on the County's website for use by Landlords; and to authorize the Director of RED to make updates to the "Notice of Rights" as appropriate, subject to review for legal sufficiency by the Office of the County Attorney.

Why Action is Necessary

As provided for in the proposed "Tenant's Bill of Rights and Notice of Late Fees Ordinance," the Board must approve the content of the "Notice of Rights" to be given to tenants.

What Action Accomplishes

Adopts a Resolution approving the content of the "Notice of Rights" and directs RED to publish the notice on the County's website for use by Landlords.

Is this Action Goal Related

Yes

Previous Action Taken

Summary Explanation/Background

This item supports the Board Value, "Offering sustainable, compatible, innovative housing options for all income-levels, including integrated, permanent supportive housing."

Broward County and communities across the nation continue to experience a significant need for affordable rental housing. The availability of safe and affordable housing is an essential component of individual and community well-being, and protecting residential tenants from discrimination and unfair and illegal rental practices is fundamental to the health, safety, and welfare of Broward County residents.

This item will only be considered by the Board if it approves the item enacting the proposed "Tenant's Bill of Rights and Notice of Late Fees Ordinance" at its meeting on June 14, 2022.

Approval of this item would adopt a Resolution approving the initial content of the "Notice of Rights" to be published by the Resilient Environment Department ("RED") on the County's website and

further authorize the Director of RED to update the “Notice of Rights” as appropriate, subject to review of the updates for legal sufficiency by the Office of the County Attorney.

Commencing on October 1, 2022, Landlords of residential properties must begin providing the “Notice of Rights” to tenants prior to entering into a new residential lease or the renewal of an existing lease. The proposed Ordinance will apply countywide and would apply prospectively to new residential leases and renewals after October 1, 2022.

Source of Additional Information

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Fiscal Impact

Fiscal Impact/Cost Summary

N/A