

Office of the Los Angeles City Attorney Hydee Feldstein Soto

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AN ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTION 151.09 OF ARTICLE 1,
CHAPTER XV, AND SECTION 165.03 OF ARTICLE 5, CHAPTER XVI OF
THE LOS ANGELES MUNICIPAL CODE IN FURTHERANCE OF THE PUBLIC
INTEREST TO AVOID FORFEITURE, LIMIT DISPLACEMENT AND
HOMELESSNESS, AND RESTRICT EVICTIONS FOR NONPAYMENT OF RENT
THAT IS NOT MATERIAL AS SPECIFIED

The Honorable City Council of the City of Los Angeles Room 395, City Hall 200 North Spring Street Los Angeles, California 90012

## Honorable Members:

Pursuant to your request, this Office has prepared and now transmits for your consideration, approved as to form and legality, the enclosed draft ordinance. The draft ordinance prohibits evictions for nonpayment of rent until the tenant's rent debt exceeds a monetary threshold of one month of fair market rent.

## **CEQA Findings**

This Office recommends that the City Council find that the adoption of this draft ordinance is exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) through Section 15061(b)(3) of the State CEQA Guidelines and Article II, Section 1 of the City CEQA Guidelines. If you concur, you should adopt this finding prior to or concurrent with taking action on this draft ordinance.



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## Council Rule 38 Referral

Concurrently with this transmittal, a copy of the draft ordinance will be sent, pursuant to Council Rule 38, to the Los Angeles Housing Department with a request that comments, if any, be presented to the City Council when this matter is considered.

If you have any questions regarding this matter, please contact Deputy City Attorney Elaine Zhong at (213) 922-7715. A member of this Office will be available when you consider this matter to answer questions you may have.

Sincerely,

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