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Introduced by Sen. DILAN -- read twice and ordered printed, and when printed to be committed to the Committee on Rules

AN ACT to amend the public housing law, in relation to tenant representatives on the New York city housing authority

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK, REPRESENTED IN SENATE AND ASSEMBLY, DO ENACT AS FOLLOWS:

1 Section 1. Subdivisions 3 and 4 of section 402 of the public housing
2 law, as amended by a chapter of the laws of 2010, amending the public
3 housing law relating to modifying the composition of the membership of
4 the New York city housing authority to specifically include tenant
5 representatives, as proposed in legislative bills numbers S.1104 and
6 A.4687, are amended to read as follows:
7 3. On and after May first, nineteen hundred fifty-eight, the authority
8 shall consist of three members appointed by the mayor, one of whom shall
9 be designated by the mayor as chairman removable at his pleasure. The
10 members other than the chairman first appointed for terms commencing on
11 May first, nineteen hundred fifty-eight, shall be appointed for terms of
12 three and five years, respectively. Thereafter the term of office of
13 each member other than the chairman shall be five years. The mayor
14 shall file with the commissioner of housing a certificate of appointment
15 of the chairman and of each member. Any member other than the chairman
16 may be removed by the mayor for cause after a public hearing. On and
17 after July first in the year next succeeding the year in which this
18 sentence shall take effect, the authority shall consist of [two] ONE
19 additional [members] MEMBER who shall be appointed by the mayor AND
20 SHALL BE REMOVABLE AT HIS OR HER PLEASURE. [Each such additional] SUCH
21 ADDITIONAL member must be eighteen years of age or older and be [a resi-
22 dent of a public housing project of the authority. The initial terms of
23 such additional members shall be as follows: one member shall serve for
24 a term of two years and one member shall serve for a term of three
25 years, thereafter such additional members shall serve for a three year
26 term of office] THE TENANT OF RECORD OR AN AUTHORIZED MEMBER OF THE
27 TENANT HOUSEHOLD, IN GOOD STANDING, RESIDING IN ONE OF THE THREE HUNDRED
28 THIRTY-FIVE FEDERAL PROJECTS OWNED OR OPERATED BY THE AUTHORITY. A

EXPLANATION--Matter in ITALICS (underscored) is new; matter in brackets
[] is old law to be omitted.

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1 vacancy in the office of a member other than the chairman OR THE ADDI-
2 TIONAL TENANT MEMBER occurring otherwise than by expiration of term
3 shall be filled for the unexpired term; PROVIDED, HOWEVER, THAT A VACAN-
4 CY IN THE SEAT HELD BY THE ADDITIONAL TENANT MEMBER SHALL BE FILLED BY
5 THE MAYOR WITHIN THIRTY DAYS OF SUCH VACANCY.

6 4. The chairman and the other members of the authority other than the
7 [two] additional [public housing project] tenant [members] MEMBER shall
8 give their whole time to their duties and shall not engage in any other
9 occupation, profession or employment. The chairman and the members of
10 the authority other than the [two] additional [public housing project]
11 tenant [members] MEMBER shall receive a salary the amount of which shall
12 be fixed by local law. The [two] additional [public housing project]
13 tenant [members] MEMBER shall receive a monthly stipend in the amount of
14 two hundred fifty dollars.

15 S 2. This act shall take effect on the same date and in the same
16 manner as a chapter of the laws of 2010, amending the public housing law
17 relating to modifying the composition of the membership of the New York
18 city housing authority to specifically include tenant representatives,
19 as proposed in legislative bills numbers S.1104 and A.4687, takes
20 effect.