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AN ACT to amend the public housing law, in relation to modifying the composition of the membership of the New York city housing authority to specifically include tenant representatives

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

Section 1. Subdivisions 3 and 4 of section 402 of the public housing law, subdivision 3 as added and subdivision 4 as amended by chapter 916 of the laws of 1958, are amended to read as follows:

3. On and after May first, nineteen hundred fifty-eight, the authority shall consist of three members appointed by the mayor, one of whom shall be designated by the mayor as chairman removable at his pleasure. The members other than the chairman first appointed for terms commencing on May first, nineteen hundred fifty-eight, shall be appointed for terms of three and five years, respectively. Thereafter the term of office of each member other than the chairman shall be five years. The mayor shall file with the commissioner of housing a certificate of appointment of the chairman and of each member. Any member other than the chairman may be removed by the mayor for cause after a public hearing. [Not more than two members of the authority shall belong to the same political party] *ON AND AFTER JULY FIRST IN THE YEAR NEXT SUCCEEDING THE YEAR IN WHICH THIS SENTENCE SHALL TAKE EFFECT, THE AUTHORITY SHALL CONSIST OF TWO ADDITIONAL MEMBERS WHO SHALL BE APPOINTED BY THE MAYOR. EACH SUCH ADDITIONAL MEMBER MUST BE EIGHTEEN YEARS OF AGE OR OLDER AND BE A RESIDENT OF A PUBLIC HOUSING PROJECT OF THE AUTHORITY. THE INITIAL TERMS OF SUCH ADDITIONAL MEMBERS SHALL BE AS FOLLOWS: ONE MEMBER SHALL SERVE FOR A TERM OF TWO YEARS AND ONE MEMBER SHALL SERVE FOR A TERM OF THREE YEARS, THEREAFTER SUCH ADDITIONAL MEMBERS SHALL SERVE FOR A THREE YEAR*

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

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TERM OF OFFICE. A vacancy in the office of a member other than the chairman occurring otherwise than by expiration of term shall be filled for the unexpired term.

4. The chairman and the other members of the authority OTHER THAN THE TWO ADDITIONAL PUBLIC HOUSING PROJECT TENANT MEMBERS shall give their whole time to their duties and shall not engage in any other occupation, profession or employment. [They shall receive a salary the amount of which shall be fixed by the board of estimate] THE CHAIRMAN AND THE MEMBERS OF THE AUTHORITY OTHER THAN THE TWO ADDITIONAL PUBLIC HOUSING PROJECT TENANT MEMBERS SHALL RECEIVE A SALARY THE AMOUNT OF WHICH SHALL BE FIXED BY LOCAL LAW. THE TWO ADDITIONAL PUBLIC HOUSING PROJECT TENANT MEMBERS SHALL RECEIVE A MONTHLY STIPEND IN THE AMOUNT OF TWO HUNDRED FIFTY DOLLARS.

S 2. This act shall take effect immediately.