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Introduced by Sen. PERALTA -- 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 the membership of 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. Subdivision 3 of section 402 of the public housing law, as  
2 amended by chapter 531 of the laws of 2010, is amended to read as  
3 follows:  
4     3. [On and after May first, nineteen hundred fifty-eight, the] THE  
5 authority shall consist of [three] FIVE members appointed by the mayor,  
6 [one of whom] WHO SHALL SERVE AT HIS OR HER PLEASURE. ONE SUCH MEMBER  
7 shall be designated by the mayor as chairman removable at his OR HER  
8 pleasure. [The members other than the chairman first appointed for terms  
9 commencing on May first, nineteen hundred fifty-eight, shall be  
10 appointed for terms of three and five years, respectively. Thereafter  
11 the term of office of each member other than the chairman shall be five  
12 years.] The mayor shall file with the commissioner of housing a certifi-  
13 cate of appointment of the chairman and of each member. [Any member  
14 other than the chairman may be removed by the mayor for cause after a  
15 public hearing. On and after July first in the year next succeeding the  
16 year in which this sentence shall take effect, the] THE authority shall  
17 consist of [one] TWO additional [member] MEMBERS who shall be appointed  
18 by the mayor [and shall be removable at his or her pleasure] FOR TERMS  
19 OF THREE YEARS; PROVIDED, HOWEVER, THAT OF THE TENANT MEMBERS FIRST  
20 APPOINTED TO A TERM OF OFFICE, ONE MEMBER SHALL BE APPOINTED FOR A TERM  
21 OF TWO YEARS AND THE OTHER MEMBER SHALL BE APPOINTED FOR A TERM OF THREE  
22 YEARS. Such additional [member] MEMBERS must be eighteen years of age or  
23 older and be the tenant of record or an authorized member of the tenant  
24 household, in good standing, residing in one of the three hundred thir-  
25 ty-five federal projects owned or operated by the authority. A vacancy  
26 in the office of a [member other than the chairman or the additional]  
27 tenant member occurring otherwise than by expiration of term shall be  
28 filled for the unexpired term; provided, however, that a vacancy in the

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

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1 seat held by [the additional] A tenant member shall be filled by the  
2 mayor within thirty days of such vacancy.  
3 S 2. This act shall take effect on the first of July next succeeding  
4 the date on which it shall have become a law.