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Introduced by M. of A. WRIGHT, RODRIGUEZ -- read once and referred to the Committee on Housing -- committee discharged, bill amended, ordered reprinted as amended and recommitted to said committee

AN ACT to amend the public housing law, in relation to the composition of the New York city housing authority, and in relation to the compensation of members of the New York city housing authority; and to repeal certain provisions of such law relating thereto

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 is  
2 REPEALED and a new subdivision 3 is added to read as follows:  
3     3. THE AUTHORITY SHALL CONSIST OF SEVEN MEMBERS APPOINTED BY THE  
4 MAYOR, ONE OF WHOM SHALL BE DESIGNATED BY THE MAYOR AS CHAIRMAN REMOVA-  
5 BLE AT HIS OR HER PLEASURE. THE TERM OF OFFICE OF EACH MEMBER OTHER THAN  
6 THE CHAIRMAN SHALL BE THREE YEARS, PROVIDED, HOWEVER, THAT THE INITIAL  
7 APPOINTMENTS OF THE SIX MEMBERS OTHER THAN THE CHAIRMAN SHALL BE AS  
8 FOLLOWS: TWO SHALL BE APPOINTED FOR ONE-YEAR TERMS, TWO SHALL BE  
9 APPOINTED FOR TWO-YEAR TERMS, AND TWO SHALL BE APPOINTED FOR THREE-YEAR  
10 TERMS. THE MAYOR SHALL FILE WITH THE COMMISSIONER OF HOUSING A CERTIF-  
11 ICATE OF APPOINTMENT OF THE CHAIRMAN AND OF EACH MEMBER. ANY MEMBER  
12 OTHER THAN THE CHAIRMAN MAY BE REMOVED BY THE MAYOR UPON FILING IN THE  
13 OFFICE OF THE COMMISSIONER OF CITYWIDE ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES AND SERV-  
14 ING UPON THE MEMBER THE REASONS THEREFOR. SUCH DOCUMENT SETTING FORTH  
15 THE REASONS SHALL BE MADE AVAILABLE TO THE GENERAL PUBLIC, WHICH SHALL  
16 INCLUDE BUT NOT BE LIMITED TO PUBLISHING THE REASONS ON THE NEW YORK  
17 CITY HOUSING AUTHORITY'S WEBSITE. THREE OF SUCH MEMBERS SHALL BE A  
18 TENANT OF RECORD OR AN AUTHORIZED MEMBER OF THE TENANT HOUSEHOLD, IN  
19 GOOD STANDING, RESIDING IN ONE OF THE FEDERAL PROJECTS OWNED OR OPERATED  
20 BY THE AUTHORITY, PROVIDED, HOWEVER, THAT FOR THE INITIAL APPOINTMENTS  
21 OF THE THREE SUCH MEMBERS, ONE SHALL BE AMONG THE MEMBERS INITIALLY  
22 APPOINTED FOR ONE-YEAR TERMS, ONE SHALL BE AMONG THE MEMBERS INITIALLY

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

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1 APPOINTED FOR TWO-YEAR TERMS, AND ONE SHALL BE AMONG THE MEMBERS  
2 INITIALLY APPOINTED FOR THREE-YEAR TERMS. A VACANCY IN THE OFFICE OF A  
3 MEMBER OTHER THAN THE CHAIRMAN OCCURRING OTHERWISE THAN BY EXPIRATION OF  
4 TERM SHALL BE FILLED FOR THE UNEXPIRED TERM. FURTHER, ANY VACANCY IN THE  
5 OFFICE OF A TENANT MEMBER SHALL ONLY BE FILLED BY THE APPOINTMENT OF AN  
6 ELIGIBLE TENANT MEMBER, AND SUCH APPOINTMENT SHALL BE MADE WITHIN NINETY  
7 DAYS OF SUCH VACANCY.

8 S 2. Subdivision 4 of section 402 of the public housing law, as  
9 amended by chapter 531 of the laws of 2010, is amended to read as  
10 follows:

11 4. The chairman [and the other members of the authority other than the  
12 additional tenant member] shall give [their] HIS OR HER whole time to  
13 [their] HIS OR HER duties and shall not engage in any other occupation,  
14 profession or employment. The chairman [and the members of the authori-  
15 ty other than the additional tenant member] shall receive a salary the  
16 amount of which shall be fixed by local law. The [additional tenant  
17 member] OTHER MEMBERS OF THE AUTHORITY shall receive a [monthly] stipend  
18 in the amount of two hundred fifty dollars FOR EVERY FOUR HOURS OF WORK  
19 PERFORMED FOR THE AUTHORITY, NOT TO EXCEED ONE THOUSAND FIVE HUNDRED  
20 DOLLARS PER MONTH.

21 S 3. This act shall take effect on June 1, 2013, provided that the  
22 mayor of the city of New York may make appointments to the board created  
23 by subdivision 3 of section 402 of the public housing law, as added by  
24 section one of this act, prior to the effective date of this act.