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AN ACT to amend the public housing law, in relation to increasing the board 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. Subdivisions 3 and 4 of section 402 of the public housing 2 law, as amended by chapter 531 of the laws of 2010, are amended to read 3 as follows:
- 3. (A) On and after [May first, nineteen hundred fifty-eight] JANUARY THOUSAND FOURTEEN, the authority shall consist of [three] TWELVE members appointed by the mayor, one of whom shall be designated the mayor as [chairman removable at his pleasure. The members other 7 than the chairman first appointed for terms commencing on May first, nineteen hundred fifty-eight, shall be appointed for terms of three and 9 five years, respectively. Thereafter the term of office of each member 10 other than the chairman shall be five years] THE CHAIRPERSON, SIX OTHER 11 VOTING MEMBERS AND FIVE NON-VOTING MEMBERS, TO BE APPOINTED BY THE MAYOR 12 13 IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE PROVISIONS SET FORTH IN THIS SUBDIVISION. VOTING MEMBERS FIRST APPOINTED AFTER THE EFFECTIVE DATE OF THE CHAPTER 14 OF THE LAWS OF TWO THOUSAND THIRTEEN WHICH AMENDED 15 THIS SUBDIVISION 16 SHALL HAVE SUBSTANTIAL EXPERIENCE AND EXPERTISE IN ONE OR MORE OF THE 17 FOLLOWING AREAS:
- 18 (I) HOUSING FINANCE;
- 19 (II) WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT;
- 20 (III) MANAGEMENT/ADMINISTRATION;
- 21 (IV) HOUSING POLICY;
- 22 (V) HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES; AND
- 23 (VI) COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT/ORGANIZATION.

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

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 EACH OF THE ISSUE AREAS SET FORTH IN THIS PARAGRAPH SHALL BE REPRESENTED, PROVIDED HOWEVER, THAT TWO OF THE AREAS ARE NOT REQUIRED TO BE REPRESENTED UNTIL THE EXPIRATION OF THE TERMS OF THE MEMBERS ON THE BOARD AS OF THE EFFECTIVE DATE OF THE CHAPTER OF THE LAWS OF TWO THOUSAND THIRTEEN WHICH AMENDED THIS SUBDIVISION.

- (B) THE SIX VOTING MEMBERS OTHER THAN THE CHAIRPERSON SHALL BE APPOINTED ON THE WRITTEN RECOMMENDATION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF NEW YORK. THE FIVE NON-VOTING MEMBERS SHALL BE RESIDENTS OF ANY ONE OF THE THREE HUNDRED THIRTY-FIVE FEDERAL PROJECTS OWNED OR OPERATED BY THE AUTHORITY, MUST BE EIGHTEEN YEARS OF AGE OR OLDER AND SHALL BE THE TENANT OF RECORD OR AN AUTHORIZED MEMBER OF THE TENANT HOUSEHOLD. SUCH TENANT REPRESENTATIVES SHALL REPRESENT EACH OF THE FIVE BOROUGHS AND SHALL BE APPOINTED AFTER SELECTION FROM A WRITTEN LIST OF RECOMMENDATIONS FROM THE BOROUGH PRESIDENT OF EACH BOROUGH.
- (C) THE MEMBERS FIRST APPOINTED AFTER JANUARY FIRST, TWO THOUSAND FOURTEEN SHALL SERVE FOR THE FOLLOWING TERMS: THE FIRST ADDITIONAL MEMBER SHALL SERVE FOR A TERM ENDING DECEMBER THIRTY-FIRST, TWO THOUSAND FIFTEEN; THE SECOND ADDITIONAL MEMBER SHALL SERVE FOR A TERM ENDING DECEMBER THIRTY-FIRST, TWO THOUSAND SIXTEEN; THE THIRD ADDITIONAL MEMBER SHALL SERVE FOR A TERM ENDING DECEMBER THIRTY-FIRST, TWO THOUSAND SEVENTEEN; AND THE FOURTH ADDITIONAL MEMBER SHALL SERVE A TERM ENDING DECEMBER THIRTY-FIRST, TWO THOUSAND EIGHTEEN.

THEREAFTER ALL MEMBERS SHALL BE APPOINTED FOR TERMS OF FOUR YEARS. THE NON-VOTING TENANT REPRESENTATIVES SHALL SERVE FOUR YEAR TERMS BEGINNING JANUARY FIRST, TWO THOUSAND FOURTEEN; PROVIDED THAT THE TENANT REPRESENTATIVE SERVING ON THE EFFECTIVE DATE OF THE CHAPTER OF THE LAWS OF TWO THOUSAND THIRTEEN WHICH AMENDED THIS SUBDIVISION SHALL CONTINUE TO SERVE UNTIL THE EXPIRATION OF HIS OR HER TERM.

- (D) The mayor shall file with the commissioner of housing a certificate of appointment of the [chairman] CHAIRPERSON and of each member. Any member [other than the chairman] may be removed by the mayor for cause after a public hearing. [On and after July first in the year next succeeding the year in which this sentence shall take effect, the authority shall consist of one additional member who shall be appointed the mayor and shall be removable at his or her pleasure. Such additional member must be eighteen years of age or older and be the tenant record or an authorized member of the tenant household, in good standing, residing in one of the three hundred thirty-five federal projects owned or operated by the authority. A] ANY vacancy [in the office of a member other than the chairman or the additional tenant member] occurring otherwise than by expiration of term shall be filled for the unexpired term[; provided, however, that a vacancy in the seat held by the additional tenant member shall be filled] by the mayor PURSUANT TO THIS SUBDIVISION within thirty days of such vacancy.
- 4. The [chairman and the other members] CHAIRPERSON of the authority [other than the additional tenant member] shall give [their] HIS OR HER whole time to [their] THE duties OF THE AUTHORITY and shall not engage in any other occupation, profession or employment. The [chairman] CHAIR-PERSON and the SIX VOTING members of the authority [other than the additional tenant member] shall receive [a salary] SALARIES the [amount] AMOUNTS of which shall be fixed by local law. The [additional] tenant [member] REPRESENTATIVE MEMBERS shall receive a monthly stipend in the amount of two hundred fifty dollars EACH.
 - S 2. This act shall take effect immediately.