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AN ACT to amend the public authorities law, in relation to the membership of the Saratoga county water authority

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

Section 1. Subdivision 1 of section 1199-ddd of the public authorities law, as amended by chapter 184 of the laws of 1995, is amended to read as follows:

1. A public corporation known as the "Saratoga county water authority" hereby created for the public purposes and charged with the duties and having the powers provided in this title. The authority shall be a corporate governmental agency constituting a public benefit corporation and shall be a "public district" for the purposes of section eightyof the public service law. The authority shall be governed by a board consisting of seven members, who shall be residents of the county and be appointed by the chairman of the board of supervisors and confirmed by the board of supervisors. At least four members elected officials. The first members appointed shall be appointed for the following terms: four for a term ending on December thirty-first, nineteen hundred ninety-six; three for a term ending on December thirty-first, nineteen hundred ninety-seven. [Subsequent appointment of members shall be made in the same manner, except that at least one member shall be a resident of each municipality with which the authority has service or distribution contracts, and for terms of two years ending in each case on December thirty-first of the last year of such SUBSECUENT APPOINTMENTS OF BOARD MEMBERS SHALL BE MADE IN THE SAME MANNER, EXCEPT THAT AT LEAST FIVE OF THE SEVEN MEMBERS SHALL EACH BE A

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

RESIDENT OF A MUNICIPALITY WITH WHICH THE AUTHORITY HAS A SERVICE OR

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DISTRIBUTION CONTRACT, EACH OF THE SAID RESIDENT BOARD MEMBERS SHALL NOT BE A RESIDENT OF THE SAME MUNICIPALITY AS ANY OTHER RESIDENT AND MAY BE ONE OR MORE OF THE AFOREMENTIONED ELECTED OFFICIALS. SUBSEQUENT APPOINTMENTS OF BOARD MEMBERS SHALL BE FOR TERMS OF TWO YEARS 5 AND END, IN EACH CASE, ON DECEMBER THIRTY-FIRST OF THE LAST YEAR OF SUCH 6 TERM. All members shall continue to hold office until their successors 7 are appointed and have qualified. Vacancies shall be filled in the 8 manner provided for original appointment. Vacancies occurring otherwise 9 than by expiration of terms of office, shall be filled by appointment 10 the unexpired terms. Members may be removed from office for the same reasons and in the same manner as may be provided by law for the 11 removal of officers of the county. In addition, members may be removed 12 from office by the board of supervisors for inefficiency, neglect of 13 14 duty or misconduct in office, after the board of supervisors has given 15 such member a copy of the charges against him and opportunity to be 16 heard in person or by counsel in his defense, upon not less than ten 17 days notice. If a member fails to attend three consecutive regular meetings of the authority, unless such absence is for good cause and is 18 19 excused by the chairperson of the authority or other presiding officer, or in the case of the chairperson of the authority, by the chairperson 20 21 the board of supervisors, the office may be deemed vacant for the 22 purposes of the nomination and appointment of a successor. The members of the authority shall receive no salary from the authority. Members and 23 officers shall be entitled to reimbursement of their actual and neces-24 25 sary expenses including travel expenses, incurred in the discharge of 26 their duties.

S 2. This act shall take effect immediately.

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