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IN SENATE

February 28, 2022

Introduced by Sen. RAMOS -- read twice and ordered printed, and when printed to be committed to the Committee on Corporations, Authorities and Commissions -- committee discharged, bill amended, ordered reprinted as amended and recommitted to said committee

AN ACT to amend the New York state urban development corporation act, in relation to community advisory committees

The People of the State of New York, represented in Senate and Assembly, do enact as follows:

Section 1. Subdivisions 7 and 8 of section 4 of section 1 of chapter 174 of the laws of 1968, constituting the New York state urban development corporation act, subdivision 7 as amended by chapter 655 of the laws of 1973 and subdivision 8 as amended by chapter 61 of the laws of 1975, are amended to read as follows:

(7) The corporation shall establish one or more community advisory committees to consider and advise the corporation upon matters submitted to them by the corporation concerning the development of any area or any project, and may establish rules and regulations with respect to such committees. **Notwithstanding any other provision of law to the contrary, community advisory committees shall be subject to articles six and seven of the public officers law. The corporation or its successor shall post a list of all community advisory committee members, and community advisory committee meeting agendas, materials, and minutes on its website. Meeting agendas and materials shall be posted on such website at least one business day in advance of community advisory committee meetings.** The members of such community advisory committees shall serve, at the pleasure of the corporation, without salary, but shall be entitled to reimbursement for their actual and necessary expenses incurred in the performance of their duties. Notwithstanding any inconsistent provision of law, general, special or local, no officer or employee of the state or of any civil division thereof, shall be deemed to have forfeited or shall forfeit his **or her** office or employment by reason of his **or her** acceptance of membership on such community advisory committee.

(8) The governor may remove any director appointed by him **or her** for inefficiency, neglect of duty or misconduct in office after giving him

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

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or her a copy of the charges against him **or her**, and an opportunity to be heard, in person or by counsel, in his **or her** defense, upon not less than ten days' notice. If any such director shall be removed, the governor shall file in the office of the department of state a complete statement of charges made against such director and his **or her** findings thereon, together with a complete record of the proceeding. The foregoing provisions shall not apply in the case of the [~~**chairman**~~] **chairperson** and any other director who serves at the pleasure of the governor.

§ 2. This act shall take effect immediately.