STATE OF NEW YORK

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2023-2024 Regular Sessions

IN SENATE

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Introduced by Sen. KAVANAGH -- read twice and ordered printed, and when printed to be committed to the Committee on Rules

AN ACT to amend the public authorities law, in relation to the appointment of members of the Battery Park city authority

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

1 Section 1. Subdivision 1 of section 1973 of the public authorities 2 law, as amended by chapter 63 of the laws of 2018, is amended to read as 3 follows:

3 (1) There is hereby created the battery park city authority which shall be a body corporate and politic, constituting a public benefit corporation. Its membership shall consist of [seven] nine members to be appointed by the governor with the advice and consent of the senate. One of the members first appointed shall serve for a term ending four years from January first next succeeding his appointment; one of such members 10 shall serve for a term ending five years from such date; and one of such 11 members shall serve for a term ending six years from such date. 12 Provided, however, that two board members first appointed on or after 13 the effective date of chapter seven hundred sixty-six of the laws of two 14 thousand five shall serve an initial term of two years; provided further 15 that two other board members first appointed on or after the effective date of chapter seven hundred sixty-six of the laws of two thousand five shall serve an initial term of four years. Provided, however, that one 17 board member first appointed on or after the effective date of the chap-18 ter of the laws of two thousand twenty-four which amended this subdivi-19 20 sion shall serve an initial term of two years; provided further that the other board member first appointed on or after the effective date of the 22 chapter of the laws of two thousand twenty-four which amended this 23 <u>subdivision shall serve an initial term of four years.</u> Their successors shall serve for terms of six years each. Members shall continue in 25 office until their successors have been appointed and qualified and the

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1 provisions of section thirty-nine of the public officers law shall 2 apply. In the event of a vacancy occurring in the office of a member by death, resignation or otherwise, the governor shall appoint a successor 4 with the advice and consent of the senate to serve for the balance of the unexpired term. After the effective date of the chapter of the laws of two thousand [seventeen] twenty-four that amended this subdivision, 7 if the membership of the corporation is such that less than [two] five the members are primary residents of Battery Park city as described 9 by the Battery Park project area defined by subdivision five of section 10 nineteen hundred seventy-two of this title, any appointments made shall 11 be primary residents of Battery Park city. Appointments shall continue 12 in such a manner until [two] five of the members of the corporation are 13 primary residents of Battery Park city. Thereafter, [two] five of the 14 corporation's members shall be **primary** residents of Battery Park city. 15

§ 2. This act shall take effect immediately.