

STATE OF NEW YORK

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IN SENATE

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Introduced by Sen. CLEARE -- read twice and ordered printed, and when printed to be committed to the Committee on Housing, Construction and Community Development

AN ACT to amend the public housing law, in relation to providing trainings and information to residents regarding resident management corporations

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

1 Section 1. The public housing law is amended by adding a new section
2 402-i to read as follows:

3 § 402-i. Resident management corporations. 1. For the purposes of this
4 section, "resident management corporation" means a corporation made up
5 of residents of a housing authority. Such resident management corpo-
6 ration:

7 (a) shall be a nonprofit organization validly incorporated under the
8 laws of the state in which it is located;

9 (b) may be established by more than one resident council if such coun-
10 cil:

11 (i) approves the establishment of the corporation; and

12 (ii) has representation on the board of directors of such corporation;

13 (c) shall have an elected board of directors with elections held at
14 least once every three years;

15 (d) shall have by-laws that:

16 (i) require the board of directors to include resident representatives
17 of each resident council involved in establishing the corporation;

18 (ii) include qualifications to run for office;

19 (iii) include the frequency of elections;

20 (iv) include procedures for recall; and

21 (v) term limits, if desired;

22 (e) shall have voting members that are heads of households and other
23 residents that are at least eighteen years of age and are listed on the
24 lease agreement for a unit represented by such resident management
25 corporation;

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

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1 (f) shall be approved by the resident council board and a majority of
2 the residents if a resident council already exists. If there is no resi-
3 dent council, a majority of the residents of the public housing develop-
4 ment such corporation will represent shall approve the establishment of
5 such corporation; and

6 (g) may serve as both the resident management corporation and the
7 resident council if such corporation meets the requirements of this part
8 for a resident council.

9 2. The New York city housing authority shall provide information and
10 trainings to all residents of such authority's properties regarding the
11 formation of resident management corporations, the requirements of such
12 corporations, and the potential benefits of creating such corporations.

13 3. The division of housing and community renewal shall provide the New
14 York city housing authority with two million dollars to effectuate the
15 provisions of this section.

16 § 2. This act shall take effect on the one hundred twentieth day after
17 it shall have become a law. Effective immediately, the addition, amend-
18 ment and/or repeal of any rule or regulation necessary for the implemen-
19 tation of this act on its effective date are authorized to be made and
20 completed on or before such effective date.