§ 642. Civil service and pension system membership. 1. The trust, for the purpose of administering the civil service law, shall be subject to the provisions of the civil service law and the rules of the city department of citywide administrative services or any successor acting as the municipal commission of the city. The president of the trust shall be empowered to act for the trust in all matters relating to compliance with this subdivision.

2. With respect to persons employed by NYCHA on the effective date of this section, the trust and NYCHA shall be deemed to be the same public employer only for purposes of transfer of employment under the civil service law, which may be made only with the approval of the NYCHA CEO and the president of the trust. No civil service right of an employee of NYCHA employed on the effective date of this article shall be lost, impaired or affected by reason of the enactment of this section into law.

3. Any person on an eligible list for a position with NYCHA shall continue to hold such position on such list and shall be entitled to the same civil service rights. The trust shall continue to use any new or existing civil service lists promulgated by the department of citywide administrative services until such time as successor titles are established. Employees of the trust shall have the same rights and benefits as employees of NYCHA.

4. Any officer or employee of NYCHA who is transferred to the trust pursuant to this section and who at the time of such transfer was a member of the New York city employees' retirement system shall continue to be a member of such system as long as he or she or they continues in such service, and shall continue to have all the rights, privileges and obligations of membership in such system. Employment by the trust shall constitute city-service for the purposes of chapter one of title thirteen of the administrative code of the city of New York.