

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

HOUSE BILL

No. 2363 Session of  
2004

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AN ACT

1 Amending the act of May 28, 1937 (P.L.955, No.265), entitled, as  
2 amended, "An act to promote public health, safety, morals,  
3 and welfare by declaring the necessity of creating public  
4 bodies, corporate and politic, to be known as housing  
5 authorities to engage in slum clearance, and to undertake  
6 projects, to provide dwelling accommodations for persons of  
7 low income; providing for the organization of such housing  
8 authorities; defining their powers and duties; providing for  
9 the exercise of such powers, including the acquisition of  
10 property by purchase, gift or eminent domain, the renting and  
11 selling of property, and including borrowing money, issuing  
12 bonds, and other obligations, and giving security therefor;  
13 prescribing the remedies of obligees of housing authorities;  
14 authorizing housing authorities to enter into agreements,  
15 including agreements with the United States, the  
16 Commonwealth, and political subdivisions and municipalities  
17 thereof; defining the application of zoning, sanitary, and  
18 building laws and regulations to projects built or maintained  
19 by such housing authorities; exempting the property and  
20 securities of such housing authorities from taxation; and  
21 imposing duties and conferring powers upon the State Planning  
22 Board, and certain other State officers and departments,"  
23 further providing for qualifications, tenure and compensation  
24 of members of an authority.

25 The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania  
26 hereby enacts as follows:

27 Section 1. Section 6 of the act of May 28, 1937 (P.L.955,  
28 No.265), known as the Housing Authorities Law, amended March 21,

1 1968 (P.L.69, No.25) and July 15, 1968 (P.L.337, No.163), is  
2 amended to read:

3       Section 6. Qualifications, Tenure and Compensation of  
4 Members of an Authority.--No more than two persons holding any  
5 other paid public office shall be members of the same housing  
6 authority at the same time. The members who are first appointed  
7 shall serve for terms of one, two, three, four, and five years,  
8 respectively, from the date of their appointment, as shall be  
9 specified at the time of their appointment. Thereafter the term  
10 of office shall be five years and the time of their appointment  
11 may not occur prior to the first Monday in January of the year  
12 in which the appointment is to commence. The two additional  
13 members to be appointed in cities of the second class shall  
14 serve for terms of five years and the time of their appointment  
15 may not occur prior to the first Monday in January of the year  
16 in which the appointment is to commence. A member shall hold  
17 office until his successor has been appointed. Vacancies for  
18 unexpired terms shall be promptly filled by the appointing  
19 power. A member may be removed for cause by the court of quarter  
20 sessions of the county in which the Authority is located after  
21 having been provided with a copy of the charges against him for  
22 at least ten days and full hearing by the court. A member shall  
23 receive no compensation for his services, but he shall be  
24 entitled to the necessary expenses, including travelling  
25 expenses incurred in the discharge of his duties.

26       Section 2. This act shall take effect in 60 days.