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THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

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SENATE BILL

No. 687 Session of  
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INTRODUCED BY STREET AND FONTANA, MAY 22, 2023

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REFERRED TO URBAN AFFAIRS AND HOUSING, MAY 22, 2023

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AN ACT

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

24 The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania

25 hereby enacts as follows:

26 Section 1. Section 7(b) of the act of May 28, 1937 (P.L.955,  
27 No.265), referred to as the Housing Authorities Law, is amended  
28 to read:

29 Section 7. Organization of an Authority.--\* \* \*

1 (b) In an Authority in a city of the first class, the  
2 executive director and staff with executive duties who report  
3 directly to either the executive director or members of the  
4 Authority shall [be at-will employes of the Authority and shall  
5 serve at the pleasure of the members of the Authority. The  
6 Authority shall not provide any payment or other thing of value  
7 to such employes in connection with their separation from  
8 employment, other than salary and benefits to which they are  
9 entitled for regular employment through the date of separation.]  
10 serve in accordance with the terms and conditions approved in  
11 writing by the members of the Authority.

12 Section 2. This act shall take effect immediately.