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SYNOPSIS

Allows long term tax exemption extension for certain low-income housing.

CURRENT VERSION OF TEXT

As reported by the Senate Community and Urban Affairs Committee on June 25, 2018, with amendments.



1 AN ACT concerning long term tax exemptions on ¹ [age-restricted] 2 certain low-income ¹ housing, amending P.L.1983, c.530, and supplementing P.L.1991, c.431 (C.40A:20-1 et seq.).

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BE IT ENACTED by the Senate and General Assembly of the State of New Jersey:

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1. (New section) Notwithstanding the provisions of sections 12 and 13 of P.L.1991, c.431 (C.40A:20-12 and C.40A:20-13) to the contrary, the governing body of a municipality may agree to continue a tax exemption for a '[qualified] federally' subsidized housing project beyond the date on which existing first mortgage financing is fully paid so long as the project continues to receive project-based federal '[section 8]' rental assistance, 'authorized pursuant to section 8 of the United States Housing Act of 1937 (42 U.S.C. s.1437f),' or other federal project-based '[vouchers] assistance'.

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- 2. Section 37 of P.L.1983, c.530, (C.55:14K-37) is amended to read as follows:
- 37. a. It is the intent of the Legislature that in the event of any conflict or inconsistency in the provisions of this act and any other acts concerning housing sponsors or any rules and regulations adopted thereunder, to the extent of such conflict or inconsistency, the provisions of this act shall be enforced and the provisions of such other acts and rules and regulations adopted thereunder shall be of no effect.
- b. The governing body of any municipality in which a housing project financed or to be financed by the agency is or is to be located may by ordinance or resolution, as appropriate, provide that such project shall be exempt from real property taxation, if the housing sponsor enters into an agreement with the municipality for payments to the municipality in lieu of taxes for municipal services. Any such agreement may require the housing sponsor to pay to the municipality an amount up to ¹[20%] 20 percent ¹ of the annual gross revenue from each housing project situated on such real property for each year of operation thereof following the substantial completion thereof. For the purpose of this section, "annual gross revenue" means the total annual gross rental or carrying charge and other income of a housing sponsor from a housing project. If any such agreement is entered into from the date of recording the mortgage on the project to the date of substantial completion of the project, the annual amount payable to the municipality as taxes or

EXPLANATION – Matter enclosed in bold-faced brackets [thus] in the above bill is not enacted and is intended to be omitted in the law.

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as payments in lieu of taxes in respect of the project site shall not be in excess of the amount of taxes on the project site for the year preceding the recording of the mortgage. Any agreement between any housing sponsor and a municipality pursuant to this subsection shall be submitted to the agency for review in order to avoid duplicating, overlapping or inconsistent regulations or provisions. Any exemption from taxation pursuant to the provisions of this section shall not extend beyond the date on which the eligible loan made by the agency on the project is paid in full.

c. Notwithstanding the provisions of subsection b. of this section to the contrary, the governing body of a municipality may agree to continue a tax exemption for a "["qualified] federally subsidized housing "[project," as defined under subsection 1. of section 3 of P.L.1991, c.431 (C.40A:20-3)] project , beyond the date on which the eligible loan made by the agency on the project is fully paid, so long as the project continues to receive project-based federal "[section 8]" rental assistance, authorized pursuant to section 8 of the United States Housing Act of 1937 (42 U.S.C. s.1437f), or other federal project-based [vouchers] assistance]. (cf: P.L.1983, c.530, s.37)

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3. This act shall take effect immediately.