

P.L. 1997, CHAPTER 431, *approved January 19, 1998*
Assembly, No. 3009

1 **AN ACT** concerning certain executive directors of housing authorities
2 and amending P.L.1992, c.79.

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

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7 1. Section 18 of P.L.1992, c.79 (C.40A:12A-18) is amended to
8 read as follows:

9 18. The executive director of a housing authority shall have
10 attained a degree from an accredited four year college or university in
11 a public administration, social science, or other appropriate program,
12 and shall have at least five years' experience in public administration,
13 public finance, realty, or similar professional employment. A master's
14 degree in an appropriate program may substitute for two years of that
15 experience. **[The] An executive director holding that position [at the**
16 **time this act becomes effective,] prior to or on January 18, 1992 and**
17 **possessing the required work experience and holding certification as**
18 **a Public Housing Manager (PHM) from the National Association of**
19 **Housing and Redevelopment Officials, or equivalent certification from**
20 **a nationally recognized professional association in the housing and**
21 **redevelopment field, shall not be required to meet the educational**
22 **requirement, except as otherwise provided in section 45 of P.L.1992,**
23 **c.79 (C.40A:12A-45) and shall be deemed qualified for continued**
24 **employment as executive director of the authority in which he holds**
25 **that post and eligible for equivalent employment in any other local**
26 **public housing authority in this State.**

27 The executive director shall serve at the pleasure of the members of
28 the authority, and may be relieved of his duties only after not less than
29 120 days' notice. The authority may provide that the executive
30 director shall be the appointing authority for all or any portion of the
31 employees of the authority. The executive director shall assign and
32 supervise employees in the performance of their duties. A housing
33 authority may elect to adopt or not to adopt the provisions of Title
34 11A of the New Jersey Statutes regardless of whether the establishing

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

Matter underlined thus is new matter.

1 county or municipality has or has not adopted those provisions.
2 (cf: P.L.1993, c.344, s.2)

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4 2. This act shall take effect immediately.

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9 This bill clarifies that an executive director of a housing authority
10 who held that position prior to or on the date of the enactment of the
11 "Local Redevelopment and Housing Law," P.L.1992, c.79,
12 (C.40A:12A-1 et seq.) is grandfathered from compliance with the
13 educational requirements for executive directors under that act.

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18 Clarifies exemption from educational requirements under "Local
19 Redevelopment and Housing Law."