A BILL

IN THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

To amend the District of Columbia Housing Authority Act of 1999 to revise the qualifications for nominees to the Housing Authority Board of Commissioners to require experience and competence in public housing, subsidized or nonprofit housing, community-based redevelopment, philanthropy and social services, real estate finance and investment, or housing development and construction, and to add two members to the Housing Authority Board of Commissioners to be appointed by the Council.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, That this act may be cited as the “Housing Authority Board of Commissioners Qualifications and Expansion Amendment Act of 2019”.

Sec. 2. Section 12 of the District of Columbia Housing Authority Act of 1999, effective May 9, 2000 (D.C. Law 13-105; D.C. Official Code § 6-211), is amended as follows:

(a) Subsection (a) is amended as follows: adding a new paragraph (6) to read as follows:

(1) Paragraph (4) is amended by striking the word “and”.

(2) Paragraph (5) is amended by striking the period and inserting the phrase “;
and” in its place.

(3) A new paragraph (6) is added to read as follows:

“(6) Two public Commissioners who shall be appointed by the Council.”

(b) Subsection (b) is amended as follows:

(1) The lead-in language is amended by striking the phrase “nominated by the
Mayor pursuant to subsection (a)(1) of this section” and inserting the phrase “nominated by the
Mayor pursuant to subsection (a)(1) of this section or appointed by the Council pursuant to
subsection (a)(6) of this section” in its place.

(2) Paragraph (1) is amended by striking the phrase “Each individual shall be
selected by the Mayor from among District residents” and inserting the phrase “Each individual
shall be selected from among District residents” in its place.

(c) Subsection (c) is amended to read as follows:

“(c) In addition to the requirements of subsections (b) and (d) of this section, each person
nominated by the Mayor, recommended by the Executive Director, or appointed by the Council,
except for the housing choice voucher program recipient Commissioner nominated under
subsection (a)(2A) of this section, shall be an individual who:

“(1) Has knowledge of, and competence in, at least one of the following areas:

“(A) Public housing law and regulations;

“(B) Public housing development, operation, and management;

“(C) Subsidized or nonprofit housing production and development;

“(D) Community-based redevelopment;

“(E) Philanthropy and social services;
“(F) Real estate finance and investment; or
“(G) Housing development or construction; and
“(2) Is not an officer or employee of the federal government or the District
government.”

Sec. 3 Fiscal impact statement.

The Council of the District of Columbia adopts the fiscal impact statement in the
committee report as the fiscal impact statement required by section 4a of the General Legislative
Procedures Act of 1975, approved October 16, 2006 (120 Stat. 2038; D.C. Official Code § 1-
301.47a).

Sec. 4. Effective date.

This act shall take effect upon its approval by the Mayor (or in the event of veto by the
Mayor, action by the Council to override the veto), a 30-day period of congressional review as
provided in section 602(c)(1) of the District of Columbia Home Rule Act, approved December
24, 1973 (87 Stat. 813; D.C. Official Code § 1-206.02(c)(1)), and publication in the District of
Columbia Register.