

1 SB254
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3 By Senator Chambliss
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SYNOPSIS: Under existing law, each member of the board of directors of a redevelopment authority for any city is required to be a qualified elector of the city.

This bill would provide that alternatively, a board member may be a property owner in the city's redevelopment district.

A BILL
TO BE ENTITLED
AN ACT

Relating to redevelopment authorities; to amend Section 11-54A-7, Code of Alabama 1975; to further provide for the qualifications for directors.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA:

Section 1. Section 11-54A-7, Code of Alabama 1975, is amended to read as follows:

"§11-54A-7.

1 "Each authority shall be governed by a board of
2 directors. All powers of the authority shall be exercised by
3 the board or pursuant to its authorization. The board shall
4 consist of any number of directors, not less than three, who
5 shall be elected by the governing body of the city for
6 staggered terms as hereinafter provided. At the time of the
7 election of the first board, the governing body of the city
8 shall divide the directors into three groups containing as
9 nearly equal whole numbers as may be possible. The governing
10 body of the city shall specify for which term each director is
11 elected. The initial term of office of the first group shall
12 be two years each. The initial terms of office of the second
13 group shall be four years each. The initial term of office of
14 the third group shall be six years. Thereafter, the term of
15 office of each ~~such~~ director shall be six years. If at the
16 expiration of any term of office of any director, a successor
17 thereto shall not have been elected, then the director whose
18 term of office shall have expired shall continue to hold
19 office until his or her successor shall be so elected. If at
20 any time there should be a vacancy on the board, a successor
21 director to serve for the unexpired term applicable to ~~such~~
22 the vacancy shall be elected by the governing body of the
23 city. Each director must be a duly qualified elector of the
24 city or own property within the redevelopment district as
25 defined by the city. Directors shall be eligible for
26 reelection. Each director shall be reimbursed for expenses
27 actually incurred by him or her in and about the performance

1 of his or her duties. Any director of the authority may be
2 impeached and removed from office in the same manner and on
3 the same grounds provided in Section 175 of the Constitution
4 of Alabama of 1901, and the general laws of the state for
5 impeachment and removal of the officers mentioned in Section
6 175."

7 Section 2. This act shall become effective
8 immediately following its passage and approval by the
9 Governor, or its otherwise becoming law.