It is enacted by the General Assembly as follows:

SECTION 1. Chapter 45-25 of the General Laws entitled "City Housing Authorities" is hereby amended by adding thereto the following section:

45-25-10.6. City of Pawtucket housing authority. – Notwithstanding the provisions of section 45-25-10, commencing March 1, 2012, the housing authority of the city of Pawtucket is expanded in size from five (5) members to seven (7) members. Said additional members shall be appointed by the mayor to serve for terms of four (4) and five (5) years, respectively from the date of their appointment. One of the seven (7) members shall be a resident under an existing lease of a public housing facility or resident under an existing lease who is being assisted under the Housing Choice Voucher (Section 8) tenant based program in the city of Pawtucket and be at least eighteen (18) years of age. Said resident shall be appointed for a five (5) year term by the mayor who shall make the appointment from a list of persons submitted to the mayor by the executive director of the housing authority. The list shall contain no fewer than four (4) nominees. If fewer than four (4) nominees wish to be considered for appointment, the mayor may select one resident from the number of nominees who wish to be considered. The method of selection of the residents to the list shall be determined by the mayor. If said resident member no longer lives in public housing, his or her office shall be deemed vacated.
SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon passage.
EXPLANATION

BY THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL

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1 This would authorize the city of Pawtucket to expand the membership of the housing

2 authority from five (5) to seven (7) members.

3 This act would take effect upon passage.

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