[Administrative Code - Exempting Members of the Rent Board from Term Limits]

Ordinance amending the Administrative Code to exempt members of the Residential Rent Stabilization and Arbitration Board from term limits.

NOTE: **Unchanged Code text and uncodified text** are in plain Arial font.
Additions to Codes are in *single-underline italics Times New Roman font*.
Deletions to Codes are in ~~*strikethrough italics Times New Roman font*~~.
Board amendment additions are in double-underlined Arial font.
Board amendment deletions are in ~~strikethrough Arial font~~.
Asterisks (* * * *) indicate the omission of unchanged Code subsections or parts of tables.

Be it ordained by the People of the City and County of San Francisco:

Section 1. Chapter 37 of the Administrative Code is hereby amended by revising Section 37.4, to read as follows:

SEC. 37.4. ESTABLISHMENT; APPOINTMENT; TERMS; EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR; FUNDING; COMPENSATION.

(a) There is hereby established a board to be known as the San Francisco Residential Rent Stabilization and Arbitration Board (hereinafter called "Board"), consisting of five members. The Board is a Commission as defined in Section 5.1-1 of this Code. Regular members, each of whom shall have a specific alternate having the same qualifications as the regular member, shall serve at the pleasure of the Mayor. All regular members and alternate members shall be appointed by the Mayor.

(b) The Board shall consist of two landlords, two tenants, and one person who is neither a landlord nor a tenant and who owns no residential rental property; and an alternate

for each specific member. All members shall be residents of the City. If one of the two regular landlord members is unavailable to vote, that regular member's specific alternate shall be seated and vote, and if that regular member's specific alternate is also unavailable to vote, the other landlord alternate shall (if available) be seated and vote as a substitute alternate. If one of the two regular tenant members is unavailable to vote, that regular member's specific alternate shall be seated and vote, and if that regular member's specific alternate is also unavailable to vote, the other tenant alternate shall (if available) be seated and vote as a substitute alternate.

(c) In accordance with applicable State law, all members shall disclose all present holdings and interests in real property, including interests in corporations, trusts or other entities with real property holdings.

(d) All members shall be appointed by the Mayor to serve *four-year* ~~*48-month*~~ terms. All vacancies occurring during a term shall be filled for the unexpired term. *Notwithstanding Section 5.1-2 of this Code, members shall not be subject to term limits.*

(e) The Board shall elect a Chairman and Vice-Chairman from among its regular members.

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Section 2. Scope of Ordinance. In enacting this ordinance, the Board of Supervisors intends to amend only those words, phrases, paragraphs, subsections, sections, articles, numbers, punctuation marks, charts, diagrams, or any other constituent parts of the Municipal Code that are explicitly shown in this ordinance as additions, deletions, Board amendment additions, and Board amendment deletions in accordance with the "Note" that appears under the official title of the ordinance.

Section 3. Effective Date. This ordinance shall become effective on the 31st day after enactment. Enactment occurs when the Mayor signs the ordinance, the Mayor returns the ordinance unsigned or does not sign the ordinance within ten days of receiving it, or the Board of Supervisors overrides the Mayor's veto of the ordinance.

APPROVED AS TO FORM:
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September 14, 2026 Rules Committee - RECOMMENDED

September 22, 2026 Board of Supervisors - PASSED, ON FIRST READING

Ayes: 11 - Chan, Chen, Dorsey, Fielder, Mahmood, Mandelman, Melgar, Sauter, Sherrill, Walton and Wong

September 29, 2026 Board of Supervisors - FINALLY PASSED

Ayes: 11 - Chan, Chen, Dorsey, Fielder, Mahmood, Mandelman, Melgar, Sauter, Sherrill, Walton and Wong

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I hereby certify that the foregoing Ordinance was FINALLY PASSED on 9/29/2026 by the Board of Supervisors of the City and County of San Francisco.

Angela Calvillo
Clerk of the Board

Daniel Lurie
Mayor

10/2/2026
Date Approved