SENIOR HOUSING PROPERTIES TRUST Form SC 13D/A March 04, 2002

SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

SCHEDULE 13D/A (Rule 13d-101)

INFORMATION TO BE INCLUDED IN STATEMENTS FILED PURSUANT TO RULE 13d-1(a) AND AMENDMENTS THERETO FILED PURSUANT TO RULE 13d-2(a)

(Amendment No. 4)*

SENIOR HOUSING PROPERTIES TRUST (Name of Issuer)

COMMON SHARES OF BENEFICIAL INTEREST, \$.01 PAR VALUE (Title of Class of Securities)

81721M 10 9 (CUSIP Number)

John A. Mannix HRPT Properties Trust 400 Centre Street Newton, MA 02458 (617) 332-3990

(Name, Address and Telephone Number of Person Authorized to Receive Notices and Communications)

February 21, 2002 (Date of Event which Requires Filing of this Statement)

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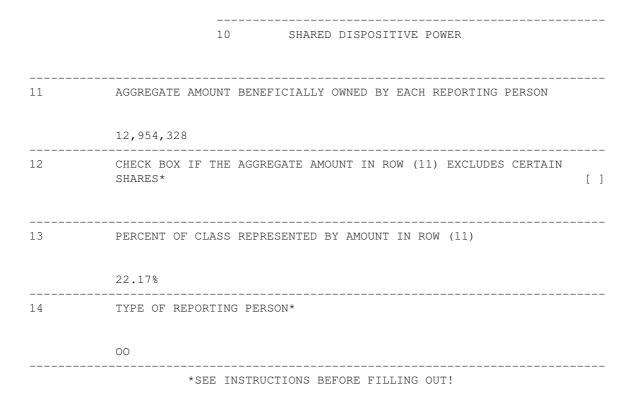
The information required on the remainder of this cover page shall not be deemed to be "filed" for the purpose of Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 ("Act") or otherwise subject to the liabilities of that section of the Act but shall be subject to all other provisions of the Act (however, see the Notes).

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1	NAMES OF REPORTING PERSONS I.R.S. IDENTIFICATION NOS. OF ABOVE PERSONS (ENTITIES ONLY)					
	HRPT Propert	ies Trus	t I.R.S. ID No. 04-6558834			
2	CHECK THE A	PROPRIAT	E BOX IF A MEMBER OF A GROUP*	(a) [] (b) []		
3	SEC USE ONLY	 ?				
 4	SOURCE OF FUNDS*					
	WC					
5	CHECK BOX IF DISCLOSURE OF LEGAL PROCEEDINGS IS REQUIRED PURSUANT ITEMS 2(d) OR 2(e)					
6	CITIZENSHIP OR PLACE OF ORGANIZATION					
	Maryland					
	NUMBER OF SHARES	7	SOLE VOTING POWER			
	BENEFICIALLY OWNED BY EACH REPORTING PERSON	8	12,809,238SHARED VOTING POWER			
	WITH	 9	SOLE DISPOSITIVE POWER			
			12,809,238			
		10	SHARED DISPOSITIVE POWER			
 11	AGGREGATE AMOUNT BENEFICIALLY OWNED BY EACH REPORTING P					
	12,937,493					
12	CHECK BOX IF THE AGGREGATE AMOUNT IN ROW (11) EXCLUDES CERTAIN SHARES*					
 13	PERCENT OF (CLASS REP	RESENTED BY AMOUNT IN ROW (11)			

	22.14%					
14	TYPE OF REPORTING PERSON*					
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		*SEE INSTRU	JCTIONS BEFORE FILLING OUT!			
 1	NAMES OF R I.R.S. IDE		ERSONS N NOS. OF ABOVE PERSONS (ENTITIES ONI	Y)		
	REIT Manag	ement & Res	search LLC			
2	CHECK THE	APPROPRIATE	E BOX IF A MEMBER OF A GROUP*	(a) []		
3	SEC USE ON	LY				
 4	SOURCE OF FUNDS*					
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5		CHECK BOX IF DISCLOSURE OF LEGAL PROCEEDINGS IS REQUIRED PURSUANT T ITEMS 2(d) OR 2(e)				
 6	CITIZENSHIP OR PLACE OF ORGANIZATION					
	Delaware					
	NUMBER OF SHARES BENEFICIALLY	7	SOLE VOTING POWER			
	OWNED BY EACH REPORTING PERSON WITH	8	SHARED VOTING POWER			
		9	SOLE DISPOSITIVE POWER			

	12,954,328						
12	CHECK BOX IF SHARES*	THE AGGREGATE AMOUNT IN ROW (11) EXCLUDES CERTA	IN []				
13	PERCENT OF C	LASS REPRESENTED BY AMOUNT IN ROW (11)					
	22.17%						
14	TYPE OF REPC	PRTING PERSON*					
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1	NAMES OF REPORTING PERSONS I.R.S. IDENTIFICATION NOS. OF ABOVE PERSONS (ENTITIES ONLY)						
	REIT Management & Research Trust I.R.S. ID No. 04-3402206						
2	CHECK THE AP	PROPRIATE BOX IF A MEMBER OF A GROUP*	(a) [] (b) []				
3	SEC USE ONLY	·					
4	SOURCE OF FUNDS*						
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5		CHECK BOX IF DISCLOSURE OF LEGAL PROCEEDINGS IS REQUIRED PURSUANT TO ITEMS 2(d) OR 2(e)					
6	CITIZENSHIP OR PLACE OF ORGANIZATION						
	Massachusetts						
	NUMBER OF SHARES BENEFICIALLY	7 SOLE VOTING POWER					
	OWNED BY EACH REPORTING PERSON WITH	8 SHARED VOTING POWER					
		9 SOLE DISPOSITIVE POWER					



This Amendment No. 4 to the original Schedule 13D filed September 29, 1999, by HRPT Properties Trust and REIT Management & Research, Inc. and the initial Schedule 13D filed by REIT Management & Research Trust on October 23, 2001, is being filed to reflect a decrease in the reported percentage ownership of Senior Housing Properties Trust as described below and update certain other information.

Item 1. Security and Issuer.

The class of equity securities to which this statement relates is the Common Shares of Beneficial Interest, par value \$0.01 (the "Shares"), of Senior Housing Properties Trust, a Maryland real estate investment Trust ("SNH"), with its principal executive offices located at 400 Centre Street, Newton, Massachusetts 02458.

Item 2. Identity and Background.

The persons filing this statement are HRPT Properties Trust, a Maryland real estate investment trust ("HRP"), REIT Management & Research LLC, a Delaware limited liability company ("RMR"), and REIT Management & Research Trust, a Massachusetts business trust ("RMR Trust").

HRP's principal business is to operate as a real estate investment trust. The principal office of HRP is located at 400 Centre Street, Newton, Massachusetts 02458. The trustees of HRP are Patrick F. Donelan, Rev. Justinian Manning, C.P., Frederick N. Zeytoonjian, Barry M. Portnoy and Gerard M. Martin. The executive officers of HRP are John A. Mannix, President and Chief Operating Officer, John C. Popeo, Treasurer, Chief Financial Officer and Secretary, Jennifer B. Clark, Senior Vice President and Assistant Secretary and David M. Lepore, Senior Vice President.

RMR's principal business is providing advisory services to real estate investment trusts such as SNH and others. The principal office of RMR is located

at 400 Centre Street, Newton, Massachusetts 02458. The directors of RMR are David J. Hegarty, Gerard M. Martin and Barry M. Portnoy. The executive officers of RMR are David J. Hegarty, President and Secretary, John G. Murray, Executive Vice President, Evrett W. Benton, Vice President, Jennifer B. Clark, Vice President and Assistant Secretary, David M. Lepore, Vice President, John A. Mannix, Vice President, Thomas M. O'Brien, Vice President, John C. Popeo, Treasurer, John R. Hoadley, Vice President and Bruce J. Mackey, Jr., Vice President. The sole member and manager of RMR is RMR Trust.

RMR Trust's principal business is to act as the member and manager of RMR. The principal office of RMR Trust is located at 400 Centre Street, Newton, Massachusetts 02458. The trustees and executive officers of RMR Trust are the same as the directors and executive officers of RMR. Each of Messrs. Martin and Portnoy own 50% of the outstanding capital stock of RMR Trust.

Each of the individuals listed above (i) except for Mr. Donelan, is a United Stated citizen, (ii) except for Mr. Donelan, Rev. Manning and Mr. Zeytoonjian, has a business address at 400 Centre Street, Newton, Massachusetts 02458 and (iii) except for Mr. Donelan, Rev. Manning, and Mr. Zeytoonjian is principally employed by RMR, in the capacities specified above. Mr. Hegarty also serves as President, Chief Operating Officer, and Secretary of SNH and John R. Hoadley also serves as Treasurer and Chief Financial Officer of SNH. The principal office of SNH is located at 400 Centre Street, Newton, Massachusetts 02458. Mr. Donelan is a British citizen and is Chairman and Chief Executive Officer of eSecLending and has a business address at Sion Hall, 56 Victoria Embankment, London, United Kingdom. Rev. Manning is the pastor of St. Gabriel's parish at 139 Washington Street, Brighton, Massachusetts 02135. Mr. Zeytoonjian is Chairman and Chief Executive Officer of Turf Products Corporation and has a business address at 157 Moody Road, Enfield, Connecticut 06083.

Neither HRP, RMR, RMR Trust nor any of the individuals specified above has, during the last five years, been convicted in a criminal proceeding (excluding traffic violations or similar misdemeanors), or been party to any civil proceeding which resulted in a judgment, decree or final order enjoining future violations of, or prohibiting or mandating activities subject to, federal or state securities laws or finding any violation with respect to such laws.

Item 5. Interest in securities of the issuer.

(a) On February 20, 2002, SNH issued an aggregate of 15,000,000 additional Shares in an underwritten public offering. HRP continues to hold 12,809,238 Shares, which as a result of SNH's offering of Shares represent 21.93% of the issued and outstanding Shares.

In addition, the trustees, directors and executive officers of HRP own SNH Shares as follows: Mr. Martin, through a corporation of which Mr. Martin is the sole stockholder, 61,204 Shares; Mr. Portnoy, through a corporation of which Mr. Portnoy is the sole stockholder, 61,204 Shares; and other trustees and executive officers of HRP, 5,897 Shares in the aggregate. In addition, Messrs. Portnoy and Martin, as Managing Trustees of HRP, may be deemed to have beneficial ownership of the 12,809,238 Shares held by HRP; however, Messrs. Portnoy and Martin disclaim beneficial ownership of HRP's 12,809,238 Shares. The Shares held by HRP, when aggregated with such additional Shares held by the trustees, directors and executive officers of HRP, aggregate 12,937,493 Shares, which represent 22.14% of the issued and outstanding Shares. The Shares held by Mr. Martin, Mr. Portnoy and the other trustees and executive officers of HRP are reported herein pursuant to the provisions of Items 2 and 5 of Schedule 13D. HRP, however, expressly disclaims any beneficial ownership of the Shares held by Mr. Martin, Mr. Portnoy and the other trustees and executive officers of HRP.

RMR, as HRP's advisor, and RMR Trust, as the sole member and manager of

RMR, may under applicable regulatory definitions, be deemed to beneficially own HRP's 12,809,238 Shares. RMR and RMR Trust, however, expressly disclaim any beneficial ownership of HRP's 12,809,238 Shares.

In addition, the trustees and executive officers of RMR and RMR Trust own SNH Shares as follows, in part as noted above: Mr. Martin, through a corporation of which Mr. Martin is the sole stockholder, 61,204 Shares; Mr. Portnoy, through a corporation of which Mr. Portnoy is the sole stockholder, 61,204 Shares; Mr. Hegarty, 8,670 Shares; and other executive officers of RMR Trust, 14,012 Shares in the aggregate. The Shares held by HRP (which may be deemed to be beneficially owned by RMR and RMR Trust), when aggregated with such additional Shares held by the trustees and executive officers of RMR Trust, aggregate 12,954,328 Shares, which represent 22.17% of the issued and outstanding Shares. The Shares held by Mr. Martin, Mr. Portnoy, Mr. Hegarty and the other executive officers of RMR and RMR Trust are reported herein pursuant to the provisions of Items 2 and 5 of Schedule 13D. RMR and RMR Trust, however, expressly disclaims any beneficial ownership of the Shares held by Mr. Martin, Mr. Portnoy, Mr. Hegarty and the other executive officers of RMR Trust.

- (b) HRP has sole power to vote or dispose of its 12,809,238 Shares. To HRP's knowledge, each of the trustees, directors and executive officers of HRP, RMR and RMR Trust described above has sole power to vote or dispose of the Shares he or she beneficially owns.
- (c) No transactions in Shares have been effected during the past sixty days by HRP, RMR, RMR Trust or the trustees, directors and executive officers of HRP, RMR and RMR Trust described above.
- (d) No other person is known to have the right to receive or the power to direct the receipt of distributions from, or the proceeds from the sale of securities covered by this statement.
- Item 7. Material to be Filed as Exhibits.

The following documents are filed as exhibits to this statement:

1. Joint Filing Agreement, dated as of October 23, 2001, by and between HRP, RMR and RMR Trust.*

SIGNATURE

After reasonable inquiry and to the best of my knowledge and belief, I certify that the information set forth in this statement is true, complete and correct.

March 4, 2002 HRPT PROPERTIES TRUST

By: /s/ John Popeo
John Popeo
Treasurer and Chief Financial Officer

^{*} Incorporated by reference to the filing persons' Schedule 13D/A with respect to the securities of SNH filed October 23, 2001.

REIT MANAGEMENT & RESEARCH LLC

By: /s/ Jennifer B. Clark
Jennifer B. Clark
Vice President and Assistant Secretary

REIT MANAGEMENT & RESEARCH TRUST

By: /s/ Thomas M. O'Brien Thomas M. O'Brien Vice President