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5 A PROPOSED RESOLUTION
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9 IN THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA
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13 To declare the existence of an emergency, due to congressional review, with respect to the need
14 to amend the District of Columbia Election Code of 1955 to permit the District of
15 Columbia Board of Elections to hold special elections to fill vacancies in the offices of
16 the Delegate to the House of Representatives from the District of Columbia and an
17 elected member of the State Board of Education on a Tuesday occurring at least 70 days
18 but not more than 174 days after the date on which the vacancy occurs.
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20 BE IT RESOLVED, BY THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, That
21 this resolution may be cited as the "Special Election Reform Congressional Review Emergency
22 Declaration Resolution of 2014".
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24 Sec. 2.(a) The Special Election Reform Amendment Act of 2014 passed on 2nd reading on
25 September 23, 2014 (D.C. Act 20-440, 61 DCR 10738). The bill was transmitted to Congress on
26 November 12, 2014, for the 30-day review period required by section 602(c)(1) of the District of
27 Columbia Home Rule Act, approved December 24, 1973 (87 Stat. 813; D.C. Official Code § 1-
28 206.02(c)(1)).

29 (b) The legislation is projected to become law on December 27, 2014, however, due to
30 adjournment sine die of the 113th Congress, it is necessary to move congressional review
31 emergency legislation to prevent a potential gap in the law.

32 Sec. 3. The Council of the District of Columbia determines that the circumstances
33 enumerated in section 2 constitute emergency circumstances making it necessary that the Special
34 Election Reform Congressional Review Emergency Amendment Act of 2014 be adopted after a

1 single reading.

2 Sec 4. The resolution shall take effect immediately.