## A RESOLUTION

## 20-729

## IN THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

## December 17, 2014

To declare the existence of an emergency with respect to the need to amend the District of Columbia Election Code of 1955 to permit the District of Columbia Board of Elections to hold special elections to fill vacancies in the offices of the Delegate to the House of Representatives from the District of Columbia and an elected member of the State Board of Education on a Tuesday occurring at least 70 days but not more than 174 days after the date on which the vacancy occurs.

RESOLVED, BY THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, That this resolution may be cited as the "Special Election Reform Emergency Declaration Resolution of 2014".

- Sec. 2.(a) The Special Election Reform Amendment Act of 2014 passed on 2<sup>nd</sup> reading on September 23, 2014 (D.C. Act 20-440; 61 DCR 10738). The bill was transmitted to Congress on November 12, 2014, for the 30-day congressional review period required by section 602(c)(1) of the District of Columbia Home Rule Act, approved December 24, 1973 (87 Stat. 813; D.C. Official Code § 1-206.02(c)(1)).
- (b) Due to adjournment sine die of the 113<sup>th</sup> Congress, the law will not become effective before the end of Council Period 20.
- Sec. 3. The Council of the District of Columbia determines that the circumstances enumerated in section 2 constitute emergency circumstances making it necessary that the Special Election Reform Emergency Amendment Act of 2014 be adopted after a single reading.
  - Sec 4. The resolution shall take effect immediately.