

A RESOLUTION

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IN THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

January 3, 2023

To declare the existence of an emergency with respect to the need to amend the Police Officer and Firefighter Cadet Programs Funding Authorization and Human Rights Act of 1977 Amendment Act of 1982 to remove the requirement that applicants shall graduate from District high schools in order to qualify for the Metropolitan Police Department's cadet program.

RESOLVED, BY THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, That this resolution may be cited as the "Law Enforcement Career Opportunities for District Residents Expansion Emergency Declaration Resolution of 2023".

Sec. 2. (a) On April 5, 2022, the Council passed the Law Enforcement Career Opportunities for District Residents Expansion Emergency Amendment Act of 2022, effective April 25, 2022 (D.C. Act 24-372; 69 DCR 4013) ("emergency act"). The emergency act expired on July 24, 2022.

(b) On April 19, 2022, the Council passed the Law Enforcement Career Opportunities for District Residents Expansion Temporary Amendment Act of 2022, effective June 30, 2022 (D.C. Law 24-131; 69 DCR 5038) ("temporary law"). The temporary law is set to expire on February 10, 2023.

(c) The Comprehensive Policing and Justice Reform Amendment Act of 2022, passed on 2nd reading on December 20, 2022 (Enrolled version of Bill 24-320) ("permanent legislation") makes, with minor amendments, the provisions of the emergency act and temporary law permanent.

(d) This second round of emergency and temporary legislation is now necessary to prevent a gap in the law between the expiration of the temporary law and the effective date of the permanent legislation.

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 Law Enforcement Career Opportunities for District Residents Expansion Emergency Amendment Act of 2023 be adopted after a single reading.

Sec. 4. This resolution shall take effect immediately.