


Councilmember Charles Allen

A PROPOSED RESOLUTION

IN THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

To declare the existence of an emergency, due to congressional review, with respect to the need to amend the Human Rights Act of 1977 to clarify the available remedies for the Attorney General in the prosecution of certain civil rights violations.

RESOLVED, BY THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, That this resolution may be cited as the “Attorney General Civil Rights Enforcement Congressional Review Emergency Declaration Resolution of 2023”.

Sec. 2. (a) On October 18, 2022, the Council passed the Attorney General Civil Rights Enforcement Second Emergency Amendment Act of 2022, effective November 3, 2022 (D.C. Act 24-626; 69 DCR 14019) (“emergency act”). The emergency act will expire on February 1, 2023.

(b) On November 1, 2022, the Council passed the Attorney General Civil Rights Enforcement Second Temporary Amendment Act of 2022, enacted on November 22, 2022 (D.C. Act 24-664; 69 DCR 14758) (“temporary act”). The temporary act is now pending congressional transmittal.

(c) To prevent a gap in the law between the expiration of the emergency act and the effective date of the temporary act, it is now necessary to pass this congressional review emergency legislation.

33 Sec. 3. The Council of the District of Columbia determines that the circumstances
34 enumerated in section 2 constitute emergency circumstances making it necessary that the Attorney
35 General Civil Rights Enforcement Congressional Review Emergency Amendment Act of 2023
36 must be adopted after a single reading.

37 Sec. 4. This resolution shall take effect immediately.