



Councilmember Charles Allen

A PROPOSED RESOLUTION

IN THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

To declare the existence of an emergency with respect to the need to provide for comprehensive policing and justice reform for District residents and visitors, and for other purposes.

RESOLVED, BY THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, That this resolution may be cited as the “Comprehensive Policing and Justice Reform Emergency Declaration Resolution of 2023”.

Sec. 2. (a) On April 5, 2022, the Council passed the Comprehensive Policing and Justice Reform Emergency Amendment Act of 2022, effective April 7, 2022 (D.C. Act 24-370; 69 DCR 3370) (“emergency act”). The emergency act expired on July 6, 2022.

(b) On April 19, 2022, the Council passed the Comprehensive Policing and Justice Reform Temporary Amendment Act of 2022, effective August 12, 2022 (D.C. Law 24-149; 69 DCR 11395) (“temporary law”). The temporary law is set to expire on March 25, 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 some modifications, the provisions of the emergency act and temporary law permanent. The projected law date for the permanent legislation is May 11, 2023.

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

35           Sec. 3. The Council of the District of Columbia determines that the circumstances  
36 enumerated in section 2 constitute emergency circumstances making it necessary that the  
37 Comprehensive Policing and Justice Reform Emergency Amendment Act of 2023 be adopted after  
38 a single reading.

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