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L4 L5	IN THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA
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19 20 21 22 23 24	To amend the Smoke Detector Act of 1978 to require the installation of carbon monoxide detectors in dwelling units, hotels, motels, hospitals, nursing homes, prisons and residential-custodial care facilities in the District of Columbia, to provide regulations for the installation and maintenance of carbon monoxide detectors, to require tenants to notify owners of an inoperable or deficient carbon monoxide device, and to prohibit tenants from removing or tampering with an installed carbon monoxide detector.
26	BE IT ENACTED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, That this
27	act may be cited as the "Carbon Monoxide Detector Amendment Act of 2017".
28	Sec. 2. The Smoke Detector Act of 1978, effective June 20, 1978 (D.C. Law 2-81; D.C.
29	Official Code § 6-751.01 et seq.) is amended as follows:
30	(a) The table of con tents is amended by striking the phrase "Subchapter IV. Smoke
31	Detectors." and inserting the phrase "Subchapter IV. Smoke and Carbon Monoxide Detectors" in
32	its place.
33 34	<ul><li>(b) Section 2 (D.C. Official Code § 6-751.01) is amended as follows:</li><li>(1) The existing paragraph (1) is re-designated as paragraph (1A)</li></ul>
35	(2) A new paragraph (1) is added to read as follows:
36	"(1) The term "carbon monoxide detector" means a devise that detects carbon
37	monoxide and alerts occupants via a distinct and audible signal.".

38	(c) Section 3 (D.C. Official Code § 6-751.02) is amended as follows:
39	(1) Subsection (a) is amended by striking the phrase "smoke detectors" both times
40	it appears and inserting the phrase "smoke and carbon monoxide detectors" in its place.
41	(2) Subsection (b) is amended by striking the phrase "smoke detectors" both times
42	it appears and inserting the phrase "smoke and carbon monoxide detectors" in its place, and
43	(3) A new Subsection (c)(1) is added to read as follows:
44	"(c)(1) The owner of each dwelling unit, hotel, motel, and hospital, except as
45	provided in subsections (b) and (d) of this section, shall install carbon monoxide
46	detectors as required by this subchapter within 3 years of the effective date of the
47	Carbon Monoxide Detector Amendment Act of 2017.".
48	(4) Subsection (d) is amended by striking the phrase "smoke detectors" and
49	inserting the phrase "smoke and carbon monoxide detectors" in its place, and striking the phrase
50	"within 2 years of June 20, 1978" and inserting the phrase "within 2 years of the effective date of
51	the Carbon Monoxide Detector Amendment Act of 2017" in its place.
52	(5) Subsection (e)(1) is amended by striking the phrase "smoke detectors" and
53	inserting the phrase "smoke and carbon monoxide detectors" in its place.
54	(6) Subsection (e)(2) is amended by striking the phrase "smoke detectors" and
55	inserting the phrase "smoke and carbon monoxide detectors" in its place.
56	(d) Section 4 (D.C. Official Code § 6-751.03) is amended as follows:
57	(1) Subsection (a) is amended by striking the phrase "smoke detector" each time i
58	appears and inserting the phrase "smoke and carbon monoxide detector" in its place.
59	(2) Subsection (b) is amended by striking the phrase "smoke detector" each time
60	it appears and inserting the phrase "smoke and carbon monoxide detector" in its place.
61	(3) Subsection (c) is amended by striking the phrase "smoke detectors" and
62	inserting the phrase "smoke and carbon monoxide detectors" in its place.
63	(4) Subsection (c)(1) is amended by striking the phrase "smoke detectors" and
64	inserting the phrase "smoke and carbon monoxide detectors" in its place.
65	(5) Subsection (d) is amended by striking the phrase "smoke detector" and
66	inserting the phrase "smoke and carbon monoxide detector" in its place.
67	(6) Subsection (e) is amended by striking the phrase "smoke detector" and
68	inserting the phrase "smoke and carbon monoxide detector" in its place.

- (e) Section 5 (D.C. Official Code § 6-751.04) is amended by adding a new subsection (c) to read as follows:
- "(c) An owner subject to this subchapter shall install a carbon monoxide
  detector which is capable of detecting carbon monoxide and emitting a distinct and audible
  signal. The owner shall install a carbon monoxide detector which is of a type approved by the
  Mayor of the District of Columbia consistent with any appropriate federal regulations. The
  owner shall install a carbon monoxide detector in accordance with specifications of the
  manufacturer or in compliance with the National Fire Protection Association Standards 720
  (2015 Edition)."
  - (f) Section 6 (D.C. Official Code § 6-751.05) is amended as follows:

- (1) Subsection (a) is amended by striking the phrase "smoke detector" and inserting the phrase "smoke and carbon monoxide detector" in its place.
- (2) Subsection (b) is amended by striking the phrase "smoke detector" both times it appears and inserting the phrase "smoke and carbon monoxide detector" in its place.
- (3) Subsection (c) is amended by striking the phrase "smoke detector" and inserting the phrase "smoke and carbon monoxide detector" in its place.
- (g) Section 7 (D.C. Official Code § 6-751.06) is amended by striking the phrase "smoke detector" both times it appears and inserting the phrase "smoke and carbon monoxide detector" in its place.
- (h) Section 8 (D.C. Official Code § 6-751.07) is amended by striking the phrase "smoke detector" and inserting the phrase "smoke and carbon monoxide detector" in its place.
- (i) Section 9 (D.C. Official Code § 6-751.08) is amended by adding a new subsection (b) to read as follows:
- "(b) Any person who installs a carbon monoxide detector shall comply with the requirements of this subchapter and the National Fire Protection Association Standards 720 (2015 Edition). In the event of a conflict between this subchapter and the National Fire Protection Association Standards 720 (2015 Edition), this subchapter takes precedence."
- (j) Section 10 (D.C. Official Code § 6-751.10) is amended by adding a new subsection (e) to read as follows:
  - "(e) A tenant shall be responsible for notifying the owner or owner's agent if the tenant becomes aware of an inoperable or deficient carbon monoxide device within his or her

100	unit. Tenants are prohibited from removing or tampering with carbon monoxide alarms installed
101	by the owner unless directed to by the owner.".
102	Sec. 3. Newly added section "9b" of The Smoke Detector Amendment Act of 1984,
103	effective March 13, 1985 (D.C. Law 5-139; D.C. Official Code § 6-751.10) is amended as
104	follows:
105	(a) Subsection (a) is amended by striking the phrase "smoke detector" both times
106	it appears and inserting the phrase "smoke or carbon monoxide detector" in its place.
107	(b) Subsection (b) is amended by striking the phrase "smoke detector" both times
108	it appears and inserting the phrase "smoke or carbon monoxide detector" in its place.
109	(c) Subsection (d) is amended by striking the phrase "smoke detector" both times
110	it appears and inserting the phrase "smoke or carbon monoxide detector" in its place.
111	Sec. 4. Fiscal impact statement.
112	The Council adopts the fiscal impact statement in the committee report as the fiscal
113	impact statement required by section 602(c)(3) of the District of Columbia Home Rule Act,
114	approved December 24, 1973 (87 Stat. 813; D.C. Official Code § 1-206.02(c)(3)).
115	Sec. 5. Effective date.
116	This act shall take effect following approval by the Mayor (or in the event of veto by the
117	Mayor, action by the Council to override the veto), a 30-day period of Congressional review as
118	provided in section 602(c)(1) of the District of Columbia Home Rule Act, approved December
119	24, 1973 (87 Stat. 813; D.C. Official Code § 1-206.02(c)(1)), and publication in the District of
120	Columbia Register.
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