

AN ACT

IN THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

To amend, on an emergency basis, due to congressional review, Chapter 39 of Title 28 of the District of Columbia Official Code to clarify that the Office of the Attorney General is authorized to petition the Superior Court of the District of Columbia to issue temporary or permanent injunctions against housing providers that violate certain consumer protection laws that protect tenants.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, That this act may be cited as the “At-Risk Tenant Protection Clarifying Congressional Review Emergency Amendment Act of 2017”.

Sec. 2. Chapter 39 of Title 28 of the District of Columbia Official Code is amended as follows:

(a) Section 28-3909 is amended as follows:

(1) Strike the phrase “Corporation Counsel” wherever it appears and insert the phrase “Office of the Attorney General” in its place.

(2) Subsection (c)(5) is amended by striking the phrase “Corporation’s Counsel’s” and inserting the phrase “Office of the Attorney General’s” in its place.

(3) A new subsection (d) is added to read as follows:

“(d) The Office of the Attorney General may apply the provisions and exercise the duties of this section to landlord-tenant relations.”.

(b) Section 28-3910(a) is amended by striking the phrase “Corporation Counsel” and inserting the phrase “Office of the Attorney General” in its place.

Sec. 3. Applicability.

This act shall apply as of March 19, 2017.

Sec. 4. Fiscal impact statement.

The Council adopts the fiscal impact statement of the Budget Director as the fiscal impact statement required by section 4a of the General Legislative Procedures Act of 1975, approved October 16, 2006 (120 Stat. 2038; D.C. Official Code § 1-301.47a).

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Sec. 5. Effective date.

This act shall take effect following approval by the Mayor (or in the event of veto by the Mayor, action by the Council to override the veto), and shall remain in effect for no longer than 90 days, as provided for emergency acts of the Council of the District of Columbia in section 412(a) of the District of Columbia Home Rule Act, approved December 24, 1973 (87 Stat. 788; D.C. Official Code § 1-204.12(a)).

Chairman
Council of the District of Columbia

Mayor
District of Columbia