

A BILL

IN THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

To amend, on an a temporary basis, the District of Columbia School Reform Act of 1995 to allow a public charter school to offer priority in enrollment to any students who were previously enrolled in the facility where that charter school will operate in the preceding school year, and to grant the Attorney General the authority to dissolve a nonprofit corporation organized for the purpose of operating a public charter school if the charter for the public charter school has been revoked, non-renewed, or relinquished.

BE IT ENACTED, BY THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, That this bill may be cited as the “Public Charter School Enrollment Temporary Amendment Act of 2015”

Sec. 2. Section 2206 of the District of Columbia School Reform Act of 1995, approved April 26, 1996 (110 Stat. 1321; D.C. Official Code § 38-1802.06), is amended by adding a new subsection (d-1) to read as follows:

“(d-1) Admission to a successor public charter school -- A public charter school that operates in a facility where a public charter school whose charter has been revoked, has not been renewed, or has been voluntarily relinquished previously operated may give preference in enrollment to students enrolled in the previous school during the school’s first year of operation in that facility.”.

Sec. 3. D.C. Official Code § 29-412.20(a)(1) is amended as follows:

(a) Subparagraph (B) is amended by striking the word “or”.

(b) Subparagraph (C) is amended by striking the semicolon and inserting the phrase “; or” in its place.

1 (c) A new subparagraph (D) is added to read as follows:

2 “(D) The corporation was organized for the purpose of operating a public
3 charter school pursuant to the District of Columbia School Reform Act of 1995 and the charter
4 for the public charter school has been revoked, has not been renewed, or has been voluntarily
5 relinquished and the corporation has failed to voluntarily dissolve as required by section 2213a
6 of that act (D.C. Official Code § 38-1802.13a));”.

7 Sec. 3. Fiscal impact statement.

8 The Council adopts the fiscal impact statement of the Budget Director as the fiscal impact
9 statement required by section 602(c)(3) of the District of Columbia Home Rule Act, approved
10 December 24, 1973 (87 Stat. 813; D.C. Official Code § 1-206.02(c)(3)), and publication in the
11 District of Columbia Register.

12 Sec. 4. Effective date.

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

18 (b) This act shall expire after 225 days of its having taken effect.