

A PROPOSED RESOLUTION

IN THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

To declare an emergency with respect to exempting from the certificate of need review, a non-profit, specializing in vision screening and providing free diagnostic services and eye wear to school children and youth in the District of Columbia.

RESOLVED, BY THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, That this resolution may be cited as the “Children and Youth Vision Screening Emergency Act of 2020”.

Sec. 2. (a) The measure would waive the Certificate of Need process for a non-profit specializing in vision screening and providing free diagnostic services and eye wear to school children and youth in the District of Columbia.

(b) Permanent legislation (Bill 23-183) containing an identical provision was adopted on second reading by the Council on December 17, 2019.

(c) Immediate legislative action would allow the non-profit to begin working with the District of Columbia public schools and public charter schools immediately and avoid any lag in the provision of services.

Sec. 3. The Council of the District of Columbia determines that the circumstances enumerated in section 2 constitute emergency circumstances making it necessary that the Children and Youth Vision Screening Emergency Act of 2020 be adopted after a single reading.

Sec. 4. This resolution shall take effect immediately.