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A BILL

IN THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

To amend, on an emergency basis, the Coronavirus Support Emergency Amendment Act of 2020, the Coronavirus Support Temporary Amendment Act of 2020, and the Coronavirus Support Congressional Review Emergency Amendment Act of 2020 to prohibit users of credit reports from taking into consideration adverse information in a report that was the result of the consumer’s action or inaction that occurred during the public health emergency and to delay enforcement of this section.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, That this act may be cited as the “Emergency Credit Alert Emergency Amendment Act of 2020”.

Sec. 2. The Coronavirus Support Emergency Amendment Act of 2020, passed on emergency basis on May 19, 2020 (Enrolled version of Bill 23-757) is amended as follows:

(a) Section 304 (Engrossed version of Bill 23-757) is amended as follows:

(1) A new subsection (b-1) is added to read as follows:

“(b-1) No user of a credit report shall use or take into consideration any adverse information in a report that was the result of an action or inaction by a consumer that occurred during the public health emergency declared pursuant to section 5a of the District of Columbia Public Emergency Act of 1980, effective October 17, 2002 (D.C. Law 14-194; D.C. Official Code § 7-2304.01) if the credit report includes a personal statement pursuant to subsection (a) of this section.”.

36 (2) A new subsection (h) is added to read as follows:

37 “(h) This section shall not be enforced until 30 days after the effective date of the  
38 Emergency Credit Alert Emergency Amendment Act of 2020, as introduced on June 9, 2020  
39 (Bill 23-XXX).”.

40 Sec. 3. The Coronavirus Support Temporary Amendment Act of 2020, passed on First  
41 Reading May 19, 2020 (Engrossed version of Bill 23-758) is amended as follows:

42 (a) Section 304 (Engrossed version of Bill 23-758) is amended as follows:

43 (1) A new subsection (b-1) is added to read as follows:

44 “(b-1) No user of a credit report shall use or take into consideration any adverse  
45 information in a report that was the result of an action or inaction by a consumer that occurred  
46 during the public health emergency declared pursuant to section 5a of the District of Columbia  
47 Public Emergency Act of 1980, effective October 17, 2002 (D.C. Law 14-194; D.C. Official  
48 Code § 7-2304.01) if the credit report includes a personal statement pursuant to subsection (a) of  
49 this section.”.

50 (2) A new subsection (h) is added to read as follows:

51 “(h) This section shall not be enforced until 30 days after the effective date of the  
52 Emergency Credit Alert Emergency Amendment Act of 2020, as introduced on June 9, 2020  
53 (Bill 23-XXX).”.

54 Sec. 4. The Coronavirus Support Congressional Review Emergency Amendment Act of  
55 2020, passed on emergency basis May 19, 2020 (Enrolled version of Bill 23-759) is amended as  
56 follows:

57 (a) Section 304 (Engrossed version of Bill 23-759) is amended as follows:

58 (1) A new subsection (b-1) is added to read as follows:

59           “(b-1) No user of a credit report shall use or take into consideration any adverse  
60 information in a report that was the result of an action or inaction by a consumer that occurred  
61 during the public health emergency declared pursuant to section 5a of the District of Columbia  
62 Public Emergency Act of 1980, effective October 17, 2002 (D.C. Law 14-194; D.C. Official  
63 Code § 7-2304.01) if the credit report includes a personal statement pursuant to subsection (a) of  
64 this section.”.

65           (2) A new subsection (h) is added to read as follows:

66           “(h) This section shall not be enforced until 30 days after the effective date of the  
67 Emergency Credit Alert Emergency Amendment Act of 2020, as introduced on June 9, 2020  
68 (Bill 23-XXX).”.

69           Sec. 5. Fiscal impact.

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

73           Sec. 6. Effective date.

74           This act shall take effect following approval by the Mayor (or in the event of veto by the  
75 Mayor, action by the Council to override the veto), and shall remain in effect for no longer than  
76 90 days, as provided for emergency acts of the Council of the District of Columbia in section  
77 412(a) of the District of Columbia Home Rule Act, approved December 24, 1973 (87 Stat. 788;  
78 D.C. Official Code § 1-204.12(a)).