

Chairman Mendelson
at the request of the Attorney General

A BILL

IN THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

Chairman Mendelson, at the request of the Attorney General, introduced the following bill,
which was referred to the Committee on _____.

To amend the Anti-SLAPP Act of 2010 to clarify that it does not apply to actions brought by the
District.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, That this
act may be cited as the “Anti-SLAPP Emergency Amendment Act of 2021”.

Sec. 2. Section 6 of the Anti-SLAPP Act of 2010, effective March 31, 2011 (D.C. Law
18-351; D.C. Official Code § 16-5505), is amended as follows:

(a) The existing text is designated as subsection (a).

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

“(b) This chapter shall not apply to any claim for relief brought by the District.”

Sec. 3. This act shall apply as of March 31, 2011, and shall apply to any cases pending at
the time of the enactment of the Anti-SLAPP Emergency Amendment Act of 2021, passed on
XXX, 2021 (Enrolled version of Bill 24-XXX).

Sec. 4. Fiscal impact statement.

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

35 Sec. 5. Effective date.

36 This act shall take effect following approval by the Mayor (or in the event of veto by the
37 Mayor, action by the Council to override the veto), and shall remain in effect for no longer than
38 90 days, as provided for emergency acts of the Council of the District of Columbia in section
39 412(a) of the District of Columbia Home Rule Act, approved December 24, 1973 (87 Stat. 788;
40 D.C. Official Code § 1-204.12(a)).