

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 Temporary 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 Temporary Amendment Act of 2021, passed on  
2nd reading 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           (a) This act shall take effect following approval by the Mayor (or in the event of veto by  
37   the Mayor, action by the Council to override the veto), a 30-day period of congressional review  
38   as provided in section 602(c)(1) of the District of Columbia Home Rule Act, approved December  
39   24, 1973 (87 Stat. 813; D.C. Official Code § 1-206.02(c)(1)), and publication in the District of  
40   Columbia Register.

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