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                                                    Chairman Phil Mendelson

A BILL

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IN THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

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To extend, on a temporary basis, the Mayor's authority to declare a public emergency.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, That this act may be cited as the "Public Emergency Extension Temporary Amendment Act of 2021".

Sec. 2. Section 7(c-1) of the District of Columbia Public Emergency Act of 1980, effective March 5, 1981 (D.C. Law 3-149; D.C. Official Code § 7-2306(c-1)), is amended to read as follows:

"(c-1) Notwithstanding subsections (b) and (c) of this section, the Council authorizes the Mayor to extend the 15-day March 11, 2020, emergency executive order (Mayor's Order 2020-045) issued in response to the novel 2019 coronavirus (SARS CoV-2) until March 17, 2022. After the extension authorized by this subsection, the Mayor may extend the emergency order for additional 15-day periods pursuant to subsection (b) or (c) of this section.".

Sec. 3. Effective date.

(a) This act shall take effect following approval by the Mayor (or in the event of veto by the Mayor, action by the Council to override the veto), a 60-day period of congressional review as provided in section 602(c)(2) of the District of Columbia Home Rule Act, approved December

35   24, 1973 (87 Stat. 813; D.C. Official Code § 1-206.02(c)(2)), and publication in the District of

36   Columbia Register.

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