

A Bill

IN THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

To amend, on an emergency basis, An Act to revise certain laws relating to the liability of hotels, motels, and similar establishments in the District of Columbia to their guests to authorize the Mayor to issue rules to establish requirements for cleaning and maintenance of hotels and motel rooms and establish standards for public notice of lodging establishment service disruptions.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, That this act may be cited as the “Hotel Enhanced Cleaning and Notice of Service Disruption Emergency Amendment Act of 2022”.

Sec. 2. An Act to revise certain laws relating to the liability of hotels, motels, and similar establishments in the District of Columbia to their guests, approved December 8, 1970 (84 Stat. 1396; D.C. Law 91-537; D.C. Official Code § 30-101 *et seq.*) is amended as follows:

(a) A new Section 4 (D.C. Official Code § 30-104) is added to read as follows:

“Sec. 4. Cleaning and maintenance of hotels and motels and public notice of service disruptions.

“(a) The Mayor, pursuant to Title I of the District of Columbia Administrative Procedure Act, effective October 21, 1968 (82 Stat. 1204; D.C. Official Code § 2-501 *et seq.*), may issue rules to establish requirements for the cleaning and maintenance of hotels, motels, and other

lodging establishments and to establish standards for public notice of actual or potential disruptions to service at or use or enjoyment of lodging establishments.

(b) Civil fines and penalties may be imposed by the Mayor pursuant to the Department of Consumer and Regulatory Affairs Civil Infractions Act of 1985, effective October 5, 1985 (D.C. Law 6-42; D.C. Official Code § 2-1801.01 *et seq.*) (“Civil Infractions Act”), for infraction of such rules. The adjudication of any such infraction, fine, or penalty shall be pursuant to the Civil Infractions Act.”.

Sec. 3. Fiscal impact statement.

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

Sec. 4. Effective date.

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), and shall remain in effect for no longer than 90 days, as provided for emergency acts of the Council of the District of Columbia in section 412(a) of the District of Columbia Home Rule Act, approved December 24, 1973 (87 Stat. 788; D.C. Official Code § 1-204.12(a)).