

A PROPOSED RESOLUTION

IN THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

To declare the existence of an emergency, due to congressional review, with respect to the need to amend section 16-5505 of the District of Columbia Official Code to clarify that Chapter 55 of Title 16 of the District of Columbia Official Code shall not apply to any claim brought by the District.

RESOLVED, BY THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, That this resolution may be cited as the “Anti-SLAPP Second Congressional Review Emergency Declaration Resolution of 2022”.

Sec. 2. (a) On July 12, 2022, the Council passed the Anti-SLAPP Emergency Amendment Act of 2022, effective July 27, 2022 (D.C. Act 24-515; 69 DCR 9781) (“emergency act”). The emergency act is set to expire on October 25, 2022.

(b) On July 12, 2022, the Council passed the Anti-SLAPP Temporary Amendment Act of 2022, passed on 1st reading on July 12, 2022 (Engrossed version of Bill 24-896) (“temporary bill”), on first reading, but the temporary bill is pending final reading.

(c) This congressional review emergency legislation is now necessary to prevent a gap in the law between the expiration of the emergency act and the effective date of the temporary bill.

Sec. 3. The Council of the District of Columbia determines that the circumstances enumerated in section 2 constitute emergency circumstances making it necessary that the Anti-

33 SLAPP Second Congressional Review Emergency Amendment Act of 2022 be adopted after a
34 single reading.

35 Sec. 4. This resolution shall take effect immediately.