

COMMITTEE ON HOUSING

ROBERT C. WHITE, JR., CHAIR
COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

MEMORANDUM

TO: Chairman Phil Mendelson
FROM: Councilmember Robert C. White, Jr.
Chair, Committee on Housing
DATE: January 11, 2023
RE: Requests for January 17, 2023



I request that the following legislation be placed on the agenda for the additional legislative meeting of the Council on January 17, 2023:

Emergency and Temporary Legislation

- **Continuity in Condominium Warranty Claims Emergency Declaration Resolution of 2023**
- **Continuity in Condominium Warranty Claims Emergency Amendment Act of 2023**
- **Continuity in Condominium Warranty Claims Temporary Amendment Act of 2023**

In October 2022, Councilmember Anita Bonds led the Council in passing the Condominium Warranty Claims Clarification Amendment Act of 2022 (B24-0934), which makes important updates to the protections available to condominium owners in the event of subpar construction work.

Subsequently, the Council passed an emergency legislation package, including the Condominium Warranty Claims Clarification Temporary Amendment Act of 2022 (B24-1138), to accelerate the applicability of these new protections. However, the Council inadvertently omitted some provisions from the temporary legislation. The Office of the General Counsel (OGC) has opined that based on anticipated congressional review timelines, the incomplete temporary legislation is likely to go into effect *after* the more robust permanent version, which would have the effect of temporary nullifying some of the provisions in the permanent bill.

The attached legislation, developed in consultation with OGC, would repeal the incomplete temporary legislation before it can go into effect, thereby ensuring that all provisions of the more robust permanent bill that are not subject to appropriations can become applicable as soon as possible.

Congressional Review Emergency Legislation

- **Advisory Neighborhood Commissions Pandemic Provisions Extension Congressional Review Emergency Declaration Resolution of 2023**
- **Advisory Neighborhood Commissions Pandemic Provisions Extension Congressional Review Emergency Amendment Act of 2023**

These measures are necessary to prevent a lapse in applicability, due to congressional review, between the Advisory Neighborhood Commissions Pandemic Provisions Extension Second

Emergency Amendment Act of 2022, which expires on February 19, 2023, and its accompanying temporary bill. This legislation extends provisions authorizing ANCs to meet remotely and vacancy filling election procedures pending the effective date of the temporary legislation.

- **Housing Authority Accountability Congressional Review Emergency Declaration Resolution of 2023**
- **Housing Authority Accountability Congressional Review Emergency Amendment Act of 2023**

These measures are necessary to prevent a lapse, due to congressional review, in the important training and training requirements of the Housing Authority Accountability Emergency Amendment Act of 2022, which expires on February 1, 2023, and its accompanying temporary bill, which is not projected to become law until March 8, 2023.