

1 A PROPOSED RESOLUTION

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5 IN THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA
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10 To declare the existence of an emergency with respect to the need to amend the Office of Citizen
11 Complaint Review Establishment Act to expand the membership of the Police
12 Complaints Board, and to allow the Office of Police Complaints' Executive Director to
13 initiate their own complaint if they discover evidence of abuse or misuse of police powers
14 that was not alleged in the original complaint, including the failure to intervene or report
15 to a supervisor when another officer used excessive force, engaged in other forms of
16 misconduct, or violated a rule or regulation.

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18 RESOLVED, BY THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, That this
19 resolution may be cited as the "Comprehensive Policing and Justice Reform Technical
20 Emergency Declaration Resolution of 2023".

21 Sec. 2. (a) On April 19, 2022, the Council passed the Comprehensive Policing and Justice
22 Reform Temporary Amendment Act of 2022, effective August 12, 2022 (D.C. Law 24-149; 69
23 DCR 11395) ("temporary law"). The temporary law expired on March 25, 2023.

24 (b) On December 20, 2022, the Council passed the Comprehensive Policing and Justice
25 Reform Amendment Act of 2022, effective April 21, 2023 (D.C. Law 24-354; ___ DCR ___)
26 ("permanent law").

27 (c) On March 7, 2023, the Council passed the Comprehensive Policing and Justice
28 Reform Emergency Amendment Act of 2023, effective March 24, 2023 (D.C. Act 25-61; 70
29 DCR 3820) ("emergency act"). The emergency act prevented a gap in the law between the
30 expiration of the temporary act and the effective date of the permanent law.

31 (d) While most of the permanent law went into effect on April 21, 2023, section 105 of
32 the permanent law was passed subject-to-appropriations and will not take effect until it has been
33 funded.

34 (e) This final round of emergency and temporary legislation is now necessary to prevent a
35 gap in the law between the expiration of the emergency law and the applicability date of section
36 105 of the permanent legislation.

37 Sec. 3. The Council determines that the circumstances enumerated in section 2 constitute
38 emergency circumstances making it necessary that the Comprehensive Policing and Justice
39 Reform Technical Emergency Amendment Act of 2023 be adopted after a single reading.

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