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2 Councilmember Trayon White, Sr.

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Councilmember Brooke Pinto

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8 A BILL  
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12 IN THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA  
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17 To amend, on an emergency basis, the District of Columbia Public Emergency Act of 1980 to  
18 authorize the Mayor to extend the duration of public emergencies related to the opioid  
19 crisis and juvenile crime and to clarify the types of diseases and other circumstances that  
20 may constitute a public emergency.  
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22 BE IT ENACTED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, That this  
23 act may be cited as the “Opioid Crisis and Juvenile Crime Public Emergencies Extension  
24 Authorization Emergency Amendment Act of 2023”.

25 Sec. 2. The District of Columbia Public Emergency Act of 1980, effective March 5, 1981  
26 (D.C. Law 3-149; D.C. Official Code § 7-2301 *et seq.*), is amended as follows:

27 (a) Section 2(3)(I) (D.C. Official Code § 7-2301(3)(I)) is amended by striking the phrase  
28 “Outbreak of a communicable disease” and inserting the phrase “Outbreak of a communicable  
29 disease, or significant existence of a deadly or otherwise dangerous disease, disorder, condition,  
30 or activity,” in its place.

31 (b) Section 7 (D.C. Official Code § 7-2306) is amended by adding a new subsection (c-1)  
32 to read as follows:

33 “(c-1) Notwithstanding subsections (b) and (c) of this section, the Mayor may extend the  
34 15-day November 13, 2023, emergency executive order declaring a public emergency in

35 response to the opioid crisis (Mayor’s Order 2023-141) and the 15-day November 13, 2023,  
36 emergency executive order declaring a public emergency in response to juvenile crime (Mayor’s  
37 Order 2023-141) until March 31, 2024. After the extensions authorized by this subsection, the  
38 Mayor may extend the emergency orders for additional 15-day periods pursuant to subsection (b)  
39 or (c) of this subsection.”.

40           Sec. 3. Applicability.

41           Section 2(a) shall apply as of November 13, 2023.

42           Sec. 4. Fiscal impact statement.

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

46           Sec. 5. Effective date.

47           This act shall take effect following approval by the Mayor (or in the event of veto by the  
48 Mayor, action by the Council to override the veto), and shall remain in effect no longer than 90  
49 days, as provided for emergency acts of the Council of the District of Columbia in section 412(a)  
50 of the District of Columbia Home Rule Act, approved December 24, 1973 (87 Stat. 788; D.C.  
51 Official Code § 1-204.12(a)).