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3 Councilmember Trayon White, Sr.

_____ Councilmember Brooke Pinto

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6 Councilmember Christina Henderson

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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 a temporary 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 Temporary 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 (a) This act shall take effect following approval by the Mayor (or in the event of veto by
48 the Mayor, action by the Council to override the veto), a 30-day period of Congressional review
49 as provided in section 602(c)(1) of the District of Columbia Home Rule Act, approved
50 December 24, 1973 (87 Stat. 813; D.C. Official Code § 1-206.02(c)(1)), and publication in the
51 District of Columbia Register.

52 (b) This act shall expire after 225 days of its having taken effect.