



Councilmember Anita Bonds

A BILL

IN THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

To amend, on an emergency basis, An Act to revise certain laws relating to the liability of hotels, motels, and similar establishments in the District of Columbia to their guests to authorize the Mayor to issue rules to establish requirements for cleaning and maintenance of hotels and motel rooms, with the exception of certain establishments operating on an “extended stay” model, and to establish standards for public notice of lodging establishment service disruptions.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, That this act may be cited as the “Hotel Enhanced Cleaning and Notice of Service Disruption Emergency Amendment Act of 2024”.

Sec. 2. An Act to revise certain laws relating to the liability of hotels, motels, and similar establishments in the District of Columbia to their guests, approved December 8, 1970 (84 Stat. 1395; D.C. Official Code § 30-101 et seq.) is amended by adding a new section 3a to read as follows:

“Sec. 3a. Cleaning and maintenance of hotels and motels and public notice of service disruptions.

“(a)(1) The Mayor, pursuant to Title I of the District of Columbia Administrative Procedure Act, approved October 21, 1968 (82 Stat. 1204; D.C. Official Code § 2-501 et seq.), may issue rules to establish requirements for the cleaning and maintenance of hotels, motels, and

35 other lodging establishments (collectively “lodging establishments”) and to establish standards  
36 for public notice of actual or potential disruptions to service at, or use or enjoyment of, lodging  
37 establishments.

38 “(2) A lodging establishment providing guest rooms that contain a kitchen,  
39 defined as a cooking facility that includes a permanently affixed cooktop appliance consisting of  
40 two or more burners, with or without an oven, with a power supply served by either an electrical  
41 connection or a natural gas line, shall not be required to clean those guest rooms on a daily basis,  
42 unless specifically requested by a guest.

43 (b) Civil fines and penalties may be imposed by the Mayor pursuant to the Department of  
44 Consumer and Regulatory Affairs Civil Infractions Act of 1985, effective October 5, 1985 (D.C.  
45 Law 6-42; D.C. Official Code § 2-1801.01 et seq.) (“Civil Infractions Act”), for infraction of the  
46 rules. The adjudication of any such infraction, fine, or penalty shall be pursuant to the Civil  
47 Infractions Act.”.

#### 48 Sec. 3. Applicability

49 This act shall apply as of the expiration date of the Hotel Enhanced Cleaning and Notice  
50 of Service Disruption Second Temporary Amendment Act of 2023, effective March 1, 2024  
51 (D.C. Law 25-129; 71 DCR 2681).

#### 52 Sec. 4. Fiscal impact statement.

53 The Council adopts the fiscal impact statement of the Budget Director as the fiscal impact  
54 statement required by section 4a of the General Legislative Procedures Act of 1975, approved  
55 October 16, 2006 (120 Stat. 2038; D.C. Official Code § 1-301.47a).

#### 56 Sec. 5. Effective date.

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

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