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OFFICE OF THE
SECRETARY

To: Members of the Council

From: Scott Pearson, Executive Director, DC Public Charter School Board

Date: May 6, 2019

Subject: Public Charter School Closure Amendment Act of 2019

I am transmitting the Public Charter School Closure Amendment Act of 2019 to the Office of the Secretary for introduction. This legislation will amend the District of Columbia School Reform Act of 1995 to allow the Public Charter School Board to impose reasonable interim conditions upon revocation or nonrenewal of a charter during a closing school's final months of operation.

Sincerely,

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Scott Pearson
Executive Director



Chairman Phil Mendelson at the
request of the Public Charter
School Board

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A BILL

IN THE COUNCIL FOR THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

To amend the District of Columbia School Reform Act of 1995 to allow the DC Public Charter School Board to impose reasonable interim conditions upon revocation or nonrenewal of a charter during a closing school’s final months of operation.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, That this act may be cited as the “Public Charter School Closure Amendment Act of 2019”

Sec. 2. The District of Columbia School Reform Act of 1995, approved April 26, 1996 (110 Stat. 1321; D.C. Official Code § 38-1800.01 *et seq.*), is amended as follows:

(a) Section 2212(d) (D.C. Official Code § 38-1802.12(d)) is amended by adding a new subsection (5A) to read as follows:

“(5A) Nonrenewal effective at the end of the current school year — If an eligible chartering authority denies an application to renew a charter, effective at the end of the current school year, the eligible chartering authority may impose such interim conditions as it determines reasonably necessary to safeguard public funds, ensure positive outcomes for students, and provide for an efficient closure or asset acquisition pursuant to § 38–1802.13a(d)(2)(A)(ii).”.

(b) Section 2213(c) (D.C. Official Code § 38-1802.13(c)) is amended by adding a new subsection (5A) to read as follows:

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32 “(5A) Revocation effective at the end of the current school year — If an eligible
33 chartering authority revokes a charter, effective at the end of the current school year, the eligible
34 chartering authority may impose such interim conditions as it determines reasonably necessary to
35 safeguard public funds, ensure positive outcomes for students, and provide for an efficient
36 closure or asset acquisition pursuant to § 38–1802.13a(d)(2)(A)(ii).”.

37 Sec. 3. Fiscal impact statement.

38 The Council adopts the fiscal impact statement in the committee report as the fiscal
39 impact statement required by section 4a of the General Legislative Procedures Act of 1975,
40 approved October 16, 2006 (12 Stat. 2038; D.C. Official Code § 1-301.47a).

41 Sec. 4. Effective date.

42 This act shall take effect following approval of the Mayor (or in the event of veto by the
43 Mayor, action by the Council to override the veto), and 30-day period of Congressional review
44 as provided in section 602(c)(1) of the District of Columbia Home Rule Act, approved December
45 24, 1973 (87 Stat. 813; D.C Official Code § 1-206.22(c)(1)), and publication in the District of
46 Columbia Register.