

1 A BILL

2 24-367

3 IN THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

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6 To amend, on a temporary basis, the Uniform Emergency Volunteer Health Practitioners Act of
7 2010 to allow qualified volunteer health practitioners and licensed health care providers
8 to practice in the District, notwithstanding any provision of law or the existence of an
9 emergency declaration, until December 31, 2021, to the extent authorized by Department
10 of Health Administrative Order 2020-02.

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12 BE IT ENACTED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, That this
13 act may be cited as the “Uniform Emergency Volunteer Health Practitioners Temporary
14 Amendment Act of 2021”.

15 ~~Sec. 2. Section 6(a) of the Uniform Emergency Volunteer Health Practitioners Act of~~
16 ~~202, effective July 1, 2010 (D.C. Law 18-184; D.C. Official Code § 7-2361.05(a)) is amended by~~
17 ~~striking the phrase “were licensed in the District.” and inserting the phrase “were licensed in the~~
18 ~~District; provided that a volunteer health practitioner qualified under this subsection may practice~~
19 ~~in the District to the extent authorized by this act, notwithstanding whether an emergency~~
20 ~~declaration is in effect, until December 31, 2021.”.~~

21 Sec. 2. Section 6 of the Uniform Emergency Volunteer Health Practitioners Act of 2010,
22 effective July 1, 2010 (D.C. Law 18-184; D.C. Official Code § 7-2361.05) is amended as
23 follows:

24 (a) Subsection (a) is amended by striking the phrase “While an emergency declaration is
25 in effect,” and inserting the phrase “Except as provided in subsection (a-1) of this section, while
26 an emergency declaration is in effect,” in its place.

27 (b) A new subsection (a-1) is added to read as follows:

28 “(a-1) Notwithstanding any provision of law, including section 5a of the District of
29 Columbia Public Emergency Act of 1980, effective October 17, 2002 (D.C. Law 14-194; D.C.
30 Official Code § 7-2304.01) (“Public Emergency Act”), or whether an emergency declaration is
31 in effect, a volunteer health practitioner qualified under subsection (a) of this section or a
32 licensed health care provider as described in section 5a of the Public Emergency Act may
33 practice in the District until December 31, 2021, to the extent authorized by Department of
34 Health Administrative Order 2020-02.”.

35 Sec 3. Fiscal impact statement.

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

39 Sec. 4. Effective date.

40 (a) This act shall take effect following approval by the Mayor (or in the event of veto by
41 the Mayor, action by the Council to override the veto), a 30-day period of congressional review
42 as provided in section 602(c)(1) of the District of Columbia Home Rule Act, approved December

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43 24, 1973 (87 Stat. 813; D.C. Official Code § 1-206.02(c)(1)), and the publication in the District
44 of Columbia Register.

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