

AN ACT

IN THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

To amend, on a temporary basis, section 16-5505 of the District of Columbia Official Code to clarify that Chapter 55 of Title 16 of the District of Columbia Official Code shall not apply to any claim brought by the District.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, That this act may be cited as the “Anti-SLAPP Temporary Amendment Act of 2022”.

Sec. 2. Section 16-5505 of the District of Columbia Official Code is amended as follows:

(a) The existing text is designated as subsection (a).

(b) A new subsection (b) is added to read as follows:

“(b)(1) This chapter shall not apply to any claim brought by the District.

“(2) This subsection shall apply:

“(A) As of March 31, 2011; and

“(B) To any claims pending as of the effective date of the Anti-SLAPP Emergency Amendment Act of 2021, effective November 8, 2021 (D.C. Act 24-208; 68 DCR 12193).”.

Sec. 3. Fiscal impact statement.

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

Sec. 4. Effective date.

(a) This act shall take effect following approval by the Mayor (or in the event of veto by the Mayor, action by the Council to override the veto), a 30-day period of congressional review as provided in section 602(c)(1) of the District of Columbia Home Rule Act, approved December 24,

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

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

Chairman
Council of the District of Columbia

Mayor
District of Columbia