

AN ACT

IN THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

To amend, on an emergency basis, due to congressional review, the Comprehensive Policing and Justice Reform Amendment Act of 2022 to clarify when law enforcement officers have authority to engage in a vehicular pursuit of a suspect motor vehicle.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, That this act may be cited as the “Law Enforcement Vehicular Pursuit Clarification Congressional Review Emergency Amendment Act of 2023”.

Sec. 2. Section 128(a) of the Comprehensive Policing and Justice Reform Amendment Act of 2022, effective April 21, 2023 (D.C. Law 24-345; D.C. Official Code § 5-365.02(a)), is amended as follows:

(a) Paragraph (1)(B) is amended by striking the phrase “immediate threat” and inserting the phrase “imminent threat” in its place.

(b) Paragraph (2) is amended as follows:

(1) Subparagraph (A) is amended by striking the phrase “fleeing suspect,” and inserting the phrase “fleeing suspect or suspects,” in its place.

(2) Subparagraph (B) is amended to read as follows

“(B) Under the totality of the circumstances, not likely to cause death or serious bodily injury to any person, other than to the fleeing suspect or suspects; and”.

Sec. Applicability.

This act shall apply as of July 20, 2023.

Sec. 4. Fiscal impact statement.

The Council adopts the fiscal impact statement of the Budget Director 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).

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Sec. 5. Effective date.

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), and shall remain in effect for no longer than 90 days, as provided for emergency acts of the Council of the District of Columbia in section 412(a) of the District of Columbia Home Rule Act, approved December 24, 1973 (87 Stat. 788; D.C. Official Code § 1-204.12(a)).

Chairman
Council of the District of Columbia

Mayor
District of Columbia