

A RESOLUTION

23-213

IN THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

September 17, 2019

To declare the existence of an emergency with respect to the need to amend the Commission on the Arts and Humanities Independence and Funding Restructuring Amendment Act of 2019 to include an applicability date provision.

RESOLVED, BY THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, That this resolution may be cited as the “Commission on the Arts and Humanities Budget Subtitle Technical Emergency Declaration Resolution of 2019”.

Sec. 2. (a) On June 25, 2019, the Council passed the Fiscal Year 2020 Budget Support Emergency Act of 2019, effective July 22, 2019 (D.C. Act 23-91; 66 DCR 8497) (“D.C. Act 23-91”).

(b) D.C. Act 23-91 included a subtitle entitled the Commission on the Arts and Humanities Independence and Funding Restructuring Emergency Amendment Act of 2019 (“CAH subtitle”). The CAH subtitle established the Commission on the Arts and Humanities as an independent agency of the District government and restructured the grantmaking programs at the agency.

(c) The CAH subtitle included an applicability provision that provided that the CAH subtitle would apply as of the effective date of D.C. Act 23-91, which was July 22, 2019.

(d) The Council passed the introduced version of D.C. Act 23-91 on June 25, 2019 with the applicability provision included, but the enrolled version of D.C. Act 23-91 that was signed by the Mayor inadvertently left out the applicability provision.

(e) The underlying legislation adds the applicability provision to the Fiscal Year 2020 Budget Support Act of 2019, effective September 11, 2019 (D.C. Law 23-16; 66 DCR 8621) and provides that the permanent version of the CAH subtitle will apply retroactively as of July 22, 2019.

(f) This technical amendment is necessary to clarify that the Commission on the Arts and Humanities began operating as an independent agency of the District government on July 22, 2019, which is what was voted on when the Council approved the CAH subtitle.

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Sec. 3. The Council of the District of Columbia determines that the circumstances enumerated in section 2 constitute emergency circumstances making it necessary that the Commission on the Arts and Humanities Budget Subtitle Technical Emergency Amendment Act of 2019 be adopted after a single reading.

Sec. 4. This resolution shall take effect immediately.