

A RESOLUTION

23-298

IN THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

January 7, 2020

To declare the existence of an emergency, due to congressional review, with respect to the need to amend An Act To create a Department of Corrections in the District of Columbia to limit the District's cooperation with federal immigration agencies, including by complying with detainer requests, absent a judicial warrant or order.

RESOLVED, BY THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, That this resolution may be cited as the "Sanctuary Values Congressional Review Emergency Declaration Resolution of 2020".

Sec. 2. (a) On October 8, 2019, the Council passed the Sanctuary Values Emergency Amendment Act of 2019, effective October 23, 2019 (D.C. Act 23-131; 66 DCR 14298), which expires on January 21, 2020. The emergency legislation limits the District's cooperation with federal immigration agencies, including by complying with detainer requests, absent a judicial warrant or order.

(b) On October 22, 2019, the Council passed the Sanctuary Values Temporary Amendment Act of 2019, enacted on November 18, 2019 (D.C. Act 23-162; 66 DCR 15343), which is projected to become law on February 26, 2020.

(c) In order to prevent a gap in the law between the expiration of the emergency legislation and the effective date of the temporary legislation, it is necessary to approve congressional review emergency legislation.

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 Sanctuary Values Congressional Review Emergency Amendment Act of 2020 be adopted after a single reading.

Sec. 4. This resolution shall take effect immediately.