

A RESOLUTION

23-600

IN THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

December 1, 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 Second Congressional Review Emergency Declaration Resolution of 2020".

Sec. 2. (a) On September 22, 2020, the Council passed the Sanctuary Values Emergency Amendment Act of 2020, effective October 14, 2020 (D.C. Act 23-414; 67 DCR 12241) ("emergency act"), which will expire on January 11, 2021. The emergency act limits the District's cooperation with federal immigration agencies, including by complying with detainer requests, absent a judicial warrant or order.

(b) On October 6, 2020, the Council passed the Sanctuary Values Temporary Amendment Act of 2020, enacted on October 28, 2020 (D.C. Act 23-446; 67 DCR 13034) ("temporary act"), which is currently pending congressional review.

(c) On November 23, 2020, the Committee on the Judiciary and Public Safety approved the permanent version of this legislation, the Sanctuary Values Amendment Act of 2020 (Bill 23-501), which will come before the full Council for first reading on December 1, 2020.

(d) To prevent a gap in the law between the expiration of the emergency act and the effective date of the temporary act, it is now necessary to approve this 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 Second Congressional Review Emergency Amendment Act of 2020 be adopted after a single reading.

Sec. 4. This resolution shall take effect immediately.