

A RESOLUTION

24-336

IN THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

December 21, 2021

To declare the existence of an emergency with respect to the need to amend the Redistricting Procedure Act of 1981 to adjust the ward boundaries within the District of Columbia; to amend the Boundaries Act of 1975 to include a reference for clarity; to amend Title 18 of the District of Columbia Municipal Regulations to preserve the existing residential permit parking zones in areas that are changing wards; and to amend the State Board of Education Establishment Act of 2007 to replace residency qualifications that could prevent persons who change wards as a result of redistricting from becoming candidates for the office of ward member in the year following redistricting.

RESOLVED, BY THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, That this resolution may be cited as the “Ward Redistricting Emergency Declaration Resolution of 2021”.

Sec. (a) The Ward Redistricting Amendment Act of 2021, passed on 2nd reading on December 21, 2021 (Enrolled version of Bill 24-371) (“Act”), established new ward boundaries that shall be effective January 1, 2022.

(b) Because the Act is not projected to become law until February at the earliest, and the new boundaries are to take effect January 1, 2022, it is necessary to adopt the ward boundaries on an emergency basis.

Sec. 3. The Council of the District of Columbia determines that the circumstances in section 2 constitute emergency circumstances making it necessary that the Ward Redistricting Emergency Amendment Act of 2021 be adopted after a single reading.

Sec. 4. This resolution shall take effect immediately.