

A RESOLUTION

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IN THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

March 2, 2021

To declare the existence of an emergency, due to congressional review, with respect to the need to amend the Firearms Control Regulations Act of 1975 to establish an Extreme Risk Protection Order Implementation Working Group, to provide for its membership, and to specify its duties.

RESOLVED, BY THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, That this resolution may be cited as the “Extreme Risk Protection Order Implementation Working Group Congressional Review Emergency Declaration Resolution of 2021”.

Sec. 2. (a) On December 15, 2020, the Council passed the Omnibus Public Safety and Justice Amendment Act of 2020, enacted on January 13, 2021 (D.C. Act 23-568; 68 DCR 1034) (“permanent act”), which is pending congressional review and is projected to become law on May 18, 2021. The permanent act includes, among its many provisions, the final language of emergency and temporary legislation passed in Council Period 23 to establish an Extreme Risk Protection Order Implementation Working Group.

(b) On December 15, 2020, the Council also passed the Extreme Risk Protection Order Implementation Working Group Second Emergency Amendment Act of 2020, effective January 13, 2021 (D.C. Act 23-598; 68 DCR 1197) (“emergency act”), which is set to expire on April 12, 2021.

(c) This congressional review emergency legislation is now necessary to prevent a gap in the law between the expiration of the emergency act and the effective date of the permanent act. It mirrors the language of the permanent act.

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 Extreme Risk Protection Order Implementation Working Group Congressional Review Emergency Amendment Act of 2021 be adopted after a single reading.

Sec. 4. This resolution shall take effect immediately.