

A BILL

IN THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

To amend, on an emergency basis, the Board of Ethics and Government Accountability Establishment and Comprehensive Ethics Reform Amendment Act of 2011 to require that Advisory Neighborhood Commissioners and candidates for public office certify that they have filed and paid income and property taxes, diligently safeguarded the assets of the taxpayers and the District, reported known illegal activity, not accepted a bribe, not directly or indirectly received government funds through illegal or improper means, not raised or received funds in violation of federal or District law, and not received or been given anything of value based on any understanding that their official actions or judgment or vote would be influenced; and to remove the requirement that Advisory Neighborhood Commissioners file a confidential disclosure of financial interest.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, That this act may be cited as the “Board of Ethics and Government Accountability Establishment and Comprehensive Ethics Reform Emergency Amendment Act of 2014”.

Sec. 2. The Board of Ethics and Government Accountability Establishment and Comprehensive Ethics Reform Amendment Act of 2011, effective April 27, 2012 (D.C. Law 19-124; D.C. Official Code § 1-1161.01 *et seq.*) is amended as follows:

(a) Section 224(a) (D.C. Official Code § 1-1162.24(a)) is amended as follows:

(1) Paragraph (1) is amended as follows:

(A) By striking the phrase “Advisory Neighborhood Commissioners and members of the Washington Metropolitan Area Transit Authority Board of Directors appointed pursuant to § 9-1107.01” and inserting the phrase “Advisory Neighborhood Commissioners, members of the Washington Metropolitan Area Transit Authority Board of Directors appointed pursuant to title III of the Washington Metropolitan Area Transit Regulation Compact, approved

31 November 6, 1966 (80 Stat. 1324; D.C. Official Code § 9-1107.01), and candidates for  
32 nomination for election, or election, to public office, who are not otherwise required to file  
33 pursuant to this paragraph” in its place.

34 (B) Subparagraph (G)(iv) is amended by striking the phrase “been offered  
35 or”.

36 (2) A new paragraph (3) is added to read as follows:

37 “(3)(A) An Advisory Neighborhood Commissioner who is not otherwise required  
38 to file a report pursuant to paragraph (1) of this subsection shall file the certification required by  
39 paragraph (1)(G) of this subsection for the preceding year.

40 “(B) Effective January 1, 2015, a candidate for nomination for election, or  
41 election, to public office who is not otherwise required to file a report pursuant to paragraph (1)  
42 of this subsection shall file the certification required by paragraph (1)(G) of this subsection for  
43 the preceding year.

44 “(C) A candidate for nomination for election, or election, to public office  
45 who, as of May 15, 2014, had not filed a report for calendar year 2013 required by this section  
46 and who was not otherwise required to file a report pursuant to paragraph (1) of this subsection  
47 shall not be required to do so.”.

48 (b) Section 225 (D.C. Official Code § 1-1162.25) is amended by striking the phrase  
49 “Advisory Neighborhood Commissioners and members of the Washington Metropolitan Area  
50 Transit Authority Board of Directors” and inserting the phrase “Members of the Washington  
51 Metropolitan Area Transit Authority Board of Directors” in its place.

52 Sec. 3. Fiscal impact statement.

53           The Council adopts the fiscal impact statement of the Budget Director as the fiscal impact  
54 statement required by section 602(c)(3) of the District of Columbia Home Rule Act, approved  
55 December 24, 1973 (87 Stat. 813; D.C. Official Code § 1-206.02(c)(3)).

56           Sec. 4. Effective date.

57           This act shall take effect following approval by the Mayor (or in the event of veto by the  
58 Mayor, action by the Council to override the veto), and shall remain in effect for no longer than  
59 90 days, as provided for emergency acts of the Council of the District of Columbia in section  
60 412(a) of the District of Columbia Home Rule Act, approved December 24, 1973 (87 Stat. 788;  
61 D.C. Official Code § 1-204.12(a)).

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