

A BILL

IN THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

To declare the existence of an emergency with respect to the need to provide tenants protections in a health crisis that may seek to obtain new housing accommodation.

RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, That this resolution may be cited as the “Tenant Screen Emergency Declaration Resolution of 2020”.

Sec. 2. (a) An estimated 45 percent of all multifamily rental units in the District are rent-stabilized. According to the Census Bureau’s Household Pulse Survey nearly 35% of District households reported some loss of employment income in June 2020. It can be anticipated that after the protections of the eviction dc eviction moratorium is lifted residents may need to seek other housing accommodation and should not be hinder. Fair tenant screenings allows for tenants to find housing in an equitable manner.

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 Tenant Screening Emergency Amendment Act of 2020 be adopted after a single reading.

Sec. 4. This resolution shall take effect immediately.