1 A BILL 2 3 21-173 4 5 IN THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA 6 7 8 9 To amend the Rental Housing Conversion and Sale Act of 1980 to modernize references to 10 tenants with disabilities; to amend the Rental Housing Act of 1985 to standardize and 11 modernize the definition of elderly tenants and tenants with a disability; to prohibit agreements between a tenant and a housing provider from including terms that would 12 13 result in inequitable treatment among any current tenants, or inequitable treatment of any current tenant relative to a future tenant; to lower the cap on the annual standard rent 14 increase for a unit occupied by an elderly tenant or a tenant with a disability to the 15 Consumer Price Index (CPI-W), the Social Security COLA, or 5 percent of the current 16 17 rent charged, whichever is least; to change the maximum annual income for low-income elderly tenants and low-income tenants with a disability to qualify for an exemption from 18 a capital improvement surcharge from \$40,000 to 60% of the area median income in the 19 Washington Metropolitan Statistical Area for a household of 4 persons, and to establish 20 21 that same amount as the maximum annual income for a low-income elderly tenant and a 22 low-income tenant with a disability to qualify for an exemption from rent adjustments 23 pursuant to a hardship petition, a services and facilities petition, and a substantial 24 rehabilitation petition; to exempt current and future low-income elderly tenants and low-25 income tenants with a disability from a rent adjustment approved pursuant to a hardship petition, a services and facilities petition, and a substantial rehabilitation petition, in 26 27 addition to the existing exemption from capital improvement surcharges; to provide 28 housing providers with a tax credit for each unit occupied by a low-income elderly tenant 29 or a low-income tenant with a disability to compensate for the exemptions provided by 30 this act; to limit the total combined tax credits claimed by all housing providers under this section for any fiscal year to a maximum of \$1,250,000; to prohibit a voluntary 31 32 agreement from increasing the rent charged for a current or future elderly tenant or a 33 tenant with a disability with a qualifying income; to direct the Mayor to determine via 34 Mayor's order the term of eligibility certification for an exemption; to permit a low-35 income elderly or tenant with a disability to waive their right to an exemption from a services and facilities petition or from an increase in rent charged resulting from a 36 37 voluntary agreement; to permit a tenant to establish elderly or disability status by 38 providing the minimum information necessary, and by filing the registration form by 39 mail, fax, email, or in person at the Rental Accommodations Division; to establish that 40 the Rent Administrator may deny registration for elderly or disability status only upon 41 clear and convincing evidence of error, fraud, falsification, or misrepresentation, and only

42 43 44 45 46	if the tenant has had the opportunity to respond to the challenge or denial; to impose a penalty on a tenant upon a finding by the Rent Administrator of fraud, falsification, or misrepresentation of eligibility for elderly or disability status; and to provide for penalties if a housing provider's challenge to a tenant's registration to establish elderly or disability status is determined to have been frivolous or made in bad faith.
47	BE IT ENACTED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, That this
48	act may be cited as the "Elderly Tenant and Tenants with Disabilities Protection Amendment Act
49	of 2016".
50	Sec. 2. The Rental Housing Conversion and Sale Act of 1980, effective September 10,
51	1980 (D.C. Law 3-86; D.C. Official Code § 42-3401.01 et seq.), is amended as follows:
52	(a) Section 101(a)(4) (D.C. Official Code § 42-3401.01(a)(4)) is amended by:
53	(1) Striking the phrase "disabled tenants" and inserting the phrase "tenants with a
54	disability" in its place.
55	(2) Striking the phrase "elderly, and disabled tenants" and inserting the phrase
56	"elderly tenants and tenants with a disability" in its place.
57	(b) Section 102 (D.C. Official Code § 42-3401.02) is amended as follows:
58	(1) Paragraph (3) is amended by striking the phrase "elderly and disabled tenants"
59	and inserting the phrase "elderly tenants and tenants with a disability" in its place.
60	(2) Paragraph (4) is amended by striking the phrase "low income non-elderly and
61	non-disabled tenants" and inserting the phrase "lower income non-elderly tenants and tenants
62	without a disability" in its place.
63	(c) Section 103 (D.C. Official Code § 42-3401.03) is amended by adding new paragraphs
64	(9A) and (19) and to read as follows as follows:

65	"(9A) Elderly tenant" means a person who is 62 years of age or older.
66	"(19) "Tenant with a disability" means a person who has a disability as defined in section
67	3(1)(A) of the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990, approved July 26, 1990 (104 Stat. 329;
68	42 U.S.C. § 12102(1)(A)).".
69	(d) Section 203(d)(4) (D.C. Official Code § 42-3402.03(d)(4)) is amended by striking the
70	phrase "elderly or disabled tenant" and inserting the phrase "elderly tenant or tenant with a
71	disability" in its place.
72	(e) Section 204(b)(3)(A) (D.C. Official Code § 42-3402.04(b)(3)(A)) is amended to read
73	as follows:
74	"(A) Is sold to a person who is an elderly tenant or a tenant with a disability.".
75	(f) Section 208 (D.C. Official Code § 42-3402.08) is amended as follows:
76	(1) The section heading is amended by striking the phrase "Elderly or disabled
77	tenancy" and inserting the phrase "Elderly tenants and tenants with a disability tenancy" in its
78	place.
79	(2) Subsection (a)(2) is amended by striking the phrase "elderly or disabled
80	tenant" and inserting the phrase "elderly tenant or tenant with a disability" in its place.
81	(3) Subsection (b) is amended by striking the phrase "elderly or disabled tenant"
82	and inserting the phrase "elderly tenant or tenant with a disability" in its place.
83	(4) Subsection (c) is amended to read as follows:
84	"(c) Qualification. –
85	"(1) A tenant shall qualify under this title if, on the day a tenant election is held

86	for the purposes of conversion, the tenant:
87	"(A) Is entitled to the possession, occupancy, or the benefits of his or her
88	rental unit; and
89	"(B) Is an elderly tenant or a tenant with a disability.
90	"(2) In making a determination that a tenant qualifies as a tenant with a disability
91	under this title:
92	"(A) The Mayor shall limit the inquiry to the minimum information and
93	documentation necessary to establish that the tenant meets the definition of a tenant with a
94	disability, and shall not inquire further into the nature or severity of the disability;
95	"(B) The Mayor shall not require the tenant to provide a description of the
96	disability when making an eligibility determination; provided, that the Mayor may require that a
97	physician or other licensed healthcare professional verify that a tenant meets the definition of a
98	tenant with a disability;
99	"(C) The Mayor shall not require the tenant to provide eligibility
100	documentation in less than 30 days;
101	"(D) The Mayor shall maintain records of the information compiled under
102	this subparagraph; provided, that the Mayor shall not disclose information about the disability of
103	a tenant unless the disclosure is required by law;
104	"(E) In requesting information under this subsection, the Mayor shall not
105	include a qualified voter's name on any publicly available list of eligible voters and shall inform
106	tenants that their names will be absent from publicly available lists of eligible voters, and the

107	Mayor shall not disclose information provided about a tenant's disability unless the disclosure is
108	required by law; and
109	"(F) The Mayor may provide a list of eligible voters upon request, and
110	may make a list of eligible voters available at the site of the tenant election.
111	"(3) The Mayor shall develop all forms and procedures as may be necessary to
112	verify eligibility under this subsection.".
113	(g) Section 210(b) (D.C. Official Code § 42-3402.10(b)) is amended by striking the
114	phrase "elderly and disabled tenants" and inserting the phrase "elderly tenants and tenants with a
115	disability" in its place.
116	Sec. 3. The Rental Housing Act of 1985, effective July 17, 1985 (D.C. Law 6-10; D.C.
117	Official Code § 42-3501.01 et seq.), is amended as follows:
118	(a) Section 103 (D.C. Official Code § 42-3501.03) is amended as follows:
119	(1) Paragraph (12) is amended to read as follows:
120	"(12) "Elderly tenant" means a person who is 62 years of age or older.".
121	(2) A new paragraph (25A) is added to read as follows:
122	"(25A) "Qualifying income" means household income, as defined by D.C. Official Code
123	§ 47-1806.06(b)(2), no greater than 60% of the area median income, as defined by section 2(1)
124	of the Housing Production Trust Fund Act of 1988, effective March 16, 1989 (D.C. Law 7-202;
125	D.C. Official Code § 42-2801(1).".
126	(3) New paragraphs (29A) and (29B) are added to read as follows:

127	"(29A) "Rent charged" means the amount of monthly rent actually charged to a tenant by
128	a housing provider for a rental unit covered by the Rent Stabilization Program.
129	"(29B) "Rent surcharge" means a charge added to the rent charged for a rental unit
130	pursuant to a capital improvement petition, hardship petition, or a substantial rehabilitation, and
131	shall not be included as part of the rent charged.".
132	(4) A new paragraph (36A) is added to read as follows:
133	"(36A) "Tenant with a disability" means a person who has a disability as defined in
134	section 3(1)(A) of the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990, approved July 26, 1990 (104
135	Stat. 329; 42 U.S.C. § 12102(1)(A)).".
136	(b) Section 202(a)(3) (D.C. Official Code § 42-3502.02(a)(3)) is amended to read as
137	follows:
138	"(3) Certify and publish prior to March 1 of each year:
139	"(A) The annual adjustment of general applicability of the rent charged of a rental
140	unit under section 206;
141	"(B) The most recent annual cost-of-living adjustment (COLA) of benefits for
142	social security recipients established pursuant to section 415(i) of the Social Security Act,
143	approved August 28, 1950 (64 Stat. 506; 42 U.S.C. § 415(i));
144	"(C) The maximum annual rent adjustment that may be imposed on a unit
145	occupied by an elderly tenant or tenant with a disability pursuant to section 224(a); and
146	"(D) The qualifying income for an elderly tenant or tenant with a disability to be
147	exempt from an adjustment in the rent charged pursuant to sections 210, 211, 212, and 214, and

148	whose rent charged may not be increased under section 215.".
149	(c) Section 206 (D.C. Official Code § 42-3502.06) is amended as follows:
150	(1) Subsection (f) is repealed.
151	(2) Subsection (g) is repealed.
152	(d) Section 208 (D.C. Official Code § 42-3502.08) is amended as follows:
153	(1) Subsection (a)(1) is amended as follows:
154	(A) Subparagraph (D) is amended by striking the word "and".
155	(B) Subparagraph (E) is amended by striking the period and inserting a
156	semicolon in its place.
157	(C) New subparagraphs (F) and (G) are added to read as follows:
158	"(F) The housing provider has provided a tenant with written notice of the maximum
159	standard rent increase that applies to an elderly tenant or a tenant with a disability and the means
160	by which a tenant may establish elderly or disability status as set forth in section 224(f), and has
161	not required a tenant to provide more proof of age or disability than the minimum information
162	necessary to establish that status; and
163	"(G) The housing provider, if a non-resident of the District, has appointed and maintained
164	a registered agent pursuant to section 203 of Title 21 of the District of Columbia Municipal
165	Regulations.".
166	(2) Subsection (h) is amended to read as follows:
167	"(h) Unless the adjustment in the amount of rent charged is implemented pursuant to
168	sections 210, 211, 212, 214, or 215, an adjustment in the amount of rent charged:

169	"(1) If the unit is vacant, shall not exceed the amount permitted under section
170	213(a).
171	"(2) If the unit is occupied:
172	"(A) Shall not exceed the current allowable amount of rent charged for the
173	unit, plus the adjustment of general applicability plus 2%, taken as a percentage of the current
174	allowable amount of rent charged; provided, that the total adjustment shall not exceed 10%;
175	"(B) Shall be pursuant to section 224, if occupied by an elderly tenant or
176	tenant with a disability; and
177	"(C) Shall not exceed the lesser of 5% or the adjustment of general
178	applicability if the unit is leased or co-leased by a home and community-based services waiver
179	provider.".
180	(3) A new subsection (i) is added to read as follows:
181	"(i) (1) No agreement between a tenant or a tenant association and a housing provider,
182	including any settlement agreement to resolve a housing provider petition or any voluntary
183	agreement, may include terms that would result in subjecting other current tenants or future
184	tenants in the housing accommodation to an adjustment in the rent charged, rent surcharge, or
185	change in related services and facilities, that would not also apply to the tenant or members of
186	the tenant association entering the agreement.
187	(2) Nothing in this subsection shall prevent a housing provider and a tenant or tenant
188	association from entering an agreement to provide for a limited capital improvement that
189	includes a rent surcharge that applies only to the affected tenants, consistent with section 210.".

190	(e) Section 215(b) (D.C. Official Code § 42-3502.15(b)) is amended by striking the
191	phrase "on all tenants" and inserting the phrase "on all tenants, except as specified in section
192	224(c)(1)" in its place.
193	(f) The lead-in text of section 223 (D.C. Official Code § 42-3502.23) is amended by
194	striking the phrase "disabled tenants" and inserting the phrase "tenants with a disability" in its
195	place.
196	(g) A new section 224 is added to read as follows:
197	"Sec. 224. Elderly tenants and tenants with a disability tenancy.
198	"(a)(1) Notwithstanding section 208(h), an adjustment in the amount of rent charged
199	while a unit is occupied by an elderly tenant or tenant with a disability without regard to income,
200	shall not exceed the rent charged for the unit, plus the least of the adjustment of general
201	applicability, and the most recent annual cost-of-living adjustment (COLA) of benefits for social
202	security recipients established pursuant to section 415(i) of the Social Security Act, approved
203	August 28, 1950 (64 Stat. 506; 42 U.S.C. § 415(i)), or 5% of the rent charged, taken as a
204	percentage of the of rent charged.
205	"(2) In a form specified by the Rent Administrator, a notice of rent adjustment
206	pursuant to this subsection shall:
207	"(A)Set forth the maximum standard rent increase percentage that applies
208	to elderly tenants and tenants with a disability, in bold 12-point lettering;
209	"(B) The benefits and protections that apply to elderly tenants and tenants
210	with disability; and

211	"(C) The standards and procedures for qualifying for those benefits and
212	protections.
213	"(b) A rent surcharge allowed pursuant to sections 210, 212, and 214 and a rent increase
214	allowed pursuant to section 211, shall not be assessed against a current or future elderly tenant or
215	tenant with a disability with a qualifying income. For the purposes of calculating the rent charged
216	a future qualified elderly tenant or tenant with a disability, adjustments in the rent charged
217	pursuant to these sections effected during the tenancy of a tenant not exempt from the
218	adjustments, shall be considered rent surcharges, and shall be subtracted from the rent charged of
219	the unit.
220	"(c) A housing provider who provides housing to an elderly tenant or tenant with a
221	disability and is not permitted under section 224(b) to implement, and does not implement, an
222	adjustment in rent charged pursuant to sections 210, 211, 212, or 214, shall receive a tax credit
223	for each unit occupied by an elderly tenant or a tenant with a disability, in the amount of \$1 for
224	each \$1 of the approved rent adjustment that is not implemented.
225	"(1) The tax credit may be taken against the next installment or installments of
226	taxes payable to the District coming due with respect to the housing accommodation, inclusive of
227	the land on which it is located.
228	"(A) The tax credit shall first be taken against real property taxes payable
229	to the District.
230	(i) The Rent Administrator shall certify to the Office of Tax and
231	Revenue the amount of credit allowable for each housing provider and parcel of real property for
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233 (ii) The total amount of credit certified by the Rent Administrator for 234 any tax year shall not exceed the maximum amount of credit allowable for such year under 235 paragraph (4) of this subsection. 236 "(B) However, if the amount that would be collectible from elderly 237 tenants and tenants with a disability at the housing accommodation exceeds the amount of real 238 property taxes that would be payable during the real property tax year with respect to the housing 239 accommodation, but for the provisions of section 224(b), then the housing provider may take the 240 tax credit against income or franchise taxes payable to the District for the housing provider's tax 241 year during which the real property tax year ends. 242 "(2) The tax credit shall cease: 243 "(A) Upon recovery by the housing provider of all costs, including interest 244 and service charges, used as a basis for a capital improvement petition or a substantial 245 rehabilitation petition; or 246 "(B) Upon any expiration of a hardship petition. 247 "(3) If an elderly tenant or tenant with a disability exempted from the rent 248 adjustment pursuant to sections 210, 211, 212, and 214, should cease to reside in a rental unit, 249 the tax credit allowed to the housing provider for that rental unit shall also cease. 250 "(4) Notwithstanding any other provision of this section, the total combined tax 251 credits claimed by all housing providers under this section for any fiscal year shall not exceed 252 \$1,250,000.

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each real property tax year.

253	"(A) The total combined tax credits claimed by all housing providers
254	under this section for any fiscal year shall be adjusted annually by an amount equal to the change
255	during the previous calendar year, ending each December 31, in the Washington, D.C., Standard
256	Metropolitan Statistical Area Consumer Price Index for Urban Wage Earners and Clerical
257	Workers (CPI-W) for all items during the preceding calendar year.
258	"(B) The base year for the annual adjustment specified in subparagraph
259	(A) of this paragraph shall be the year that the act becomes effective. The annual adjustment
260	shall occur at least 12 months after the effective date of this act, on the following October 1. The
261	annual adjustment shall be according to the CPI-W effective as of the October 1 of each
262	subsequent year.
263	"(5) Notwithstanding section 224(b), if the Chief Financial Officer finds that
264	funds are not available for the tax credit provided by this subsection, then a housing provider
265	may assess against an elderly tenant or tenant with a disability a rent surcharge allowed pursuant
266	to sections 210, 212, and 214, and a rent increase allowed pursuant to section 211.
267	"(d) A voluntary agreement shall not increase the rent charged to a current or future
268	elderly tenant or tenant with a disability with a qualifying income.
269	"(1) For the purposes of calculating the rent charged a future qualified elderly
270	tenant or tenant with a disability, an increase in the rent charged pursuant to a voluntary
271	agreement effected during the tenancy of a tenant not exempt from the increase, shall be
272	considered a rent surcharge, and shall be subtracted from the rent charge of the unit during the
273	tenancy of the qualified elderly tenant or tenant with a disability.

274	"(2) The voluntary agreement shall include a schedule listing the number of each
275	rental unit that is occupied by an elderly tenant or a tenant with a disability, the name of each
276	tenant in the unit, and the current rent charged.
277	"(e) The Mayor may determine via Mayor's order the term of eligibility and recertification
278	requirements for the exemptions provided by this section.
279	"(f) A tenant exempt from section 211, and a tenant whose rent charged may not be
280	increased under section 215, may waive his or her rights under the respective sections. The
281	waiver shall be in writing, and shall state that it was made voluntarily, without coercion, and
282	with full knowledge of the ramifications of a waiver of their rights.
283	"(g)(1) A tenant may file a completed elderly or disability status and income eligibility
284	registration form and supporting documentation by mail, fax, email, or in person at the Rental
285	Accommodations Division of the Department of Housing and Community Development.
286	"(2) The Mayor shall require the minimum documentation necessary for a tenant
287	to establish elderly tenant or tenant with a disability status and income eligibility, which may
288	include:
289	"(A) For elderly status, proof of age as documented by a passport, birth
290	certificate, District-issued driver's license or identification card, or any other documentation as
291	the Rent Administrator deems sufficient.
292	"(B) For disability status, an award letter for disability benefits from the
293	U.S. Social Security Administration, a letter from a physician stating that the tenant is a tenant
294	with a disability, or other documentation as the Rent Administrator may deem sufficient.

295	"(i) In making a determination that a tenant qualifies as a tenant
296	with a disability under this subsection, the Mayor shall limit the inquiry to the minimum
297	information and documentation necessary to establish that the tenant meets the definition of a
298	tenant with a disability and shall not inquire further into the nature or severity of the disability.
299	"(ii) The Mayor shall not require a tenant to provide a description
300	of the disability when making an eligibility determination; provided, that the Mayor shall require
301	that a physician or other licensed healthcare professional verify that a tenant meets the definition
302	of a tenant with a disability.
303	"(iii) The Mayor shall not require the tenant to provide eligibility
304	documentation in less than 30 days.
305	"(iv) The Mayor shall maintain records of the information
306	compiled under this paragraph; provided, that the Mayor shall not disclose information about a
307	tenant's disability unless the disclosure is required by law.
308	"(C) The Mayor shall develop any forms and procedures as may be
309	necessary to verify eligibility under this subsection.
310	"(3) The tenant may provide pay stubs, benefit statements, or other such
311	documentation as the Rent Administrator may deem sufficient as proof of income eligibility to
312	qualify for an exemption from an adjustment in the rent charged pursuant to subsection (b) of
313	this section.

314	"(4) A housing provider shall upon the request of a tenant, provide the tenant with
315	a current copy of the registration form issued by the Rent Administrator for purposes of
316	establishing elderly tenant or tenant with a disability status, or income eligibility status.
317	"(h) A tenant's elderly or disability status shall be effective as of the first day of the first
318	month following compliance with this subsection, and shall remain effective unless and until any
319	time the Rent Administrator may deny the registration.
320	"(1) If the effective date of the tenant's elderly or disability status occurs less than
321	12 months after the effective date of a rent adjustment of general applicability, the housing
322	provider shall reduce the rent charged to the rent for a unit occupied by an elderly tenant or a
323	tenant with a disability pursuant to subsection (a) of this section, as of the effective date of the
324	tenant's elderly or disability status.
325	"(2) An elderly tenant or tenant with a disability shall not be entitled to receive a
326	retroactive refund for an approved registration for a time period where the tenant was qualified
327	as an elderly tenant or a tenant with a disability, but had not yet fulfilled the requirements of this
328	section.
329	"(i) (1) A housing provider shall not increase the rent charged in an amount greater than
330	that allowed for a unit occupied by an elderly tenant or a tenant with a disability pursuant to
331	subsection (a) of this section, unless the Rent Administrator has issued a determination that the
332	tenant failed to qualify for elderly or disability status, pursuant to this subsection.
333	"(2) If the housing provider has substantial grounds to believe that the tenant does
334	not qualify for elderly or disability status, and that relevant documentation is fraudulent or has

335	been falsified, and if efforts to resolve the dispute directly with the tenant are unavailing, then the
336	housing provider may challenge the tenant's registration by:
337	"(A) Notifying the tenant of the basis for the challenge; and
338	"(B) Filing a request to deny the registration with the Rent Administrator,
339	within 30 days of the tenant's compliance with this subsection.
340	"(3) If the Rent Administrator has substantial grounds to believe that the tenant
341	does not qualify for elderly or disability status, and that relevant documentation is fraudulent or
342	has been falsified, then within 30 days of the tenant's compliance with this subsection, the Rent
343	Administrator may raise an objection to the tenant's registration.
344	"(A) The Rent Administrator shall deny a tenant's registration only upon
345	clear and convincing evidence of error, fraud, falsification, or misrepresentation, and only if the
346	tenant has been given the opportunity to respond to the challenge or denial to the registration by
347	the housing provider or the Rent Administrator, respectively.
348	"(B) If the Rent Administrator denies a tenant's registration, and
349	determines that the tenant acted in bad faith rather than due to unintentional error, then within 21
350	days of the denial, the Rent Administrator may order the tenant to pay to the housing provider
351	double the difference between the amount of rent to be charged pursuant to section 208(h), and
352	the amount of rent actually paid, with interest.
353	(a) Section 901 (D.C. Official Code § 42-3509.01) is amended by adding a new
354	subsection (h) to read as follows:
355	"(h) If a housing provider's challenge to a tenant's registration to establish elderly or

356	disability status under section 208 is determined to have been frivolous or made in bad faith, the
357	housing provider shall be deemed to have made an unlawful demand for rent, and shall be held
358	liable to the tenant, as applicable, for:
359	"(1) At a minimum, an amount equal to 2% of the total annual current rent
360	charged;
361	"(2) At a maximum, an amount equal to the total annual current rent charged; and
362	"(3) In addition to the penalties specified in paragraphs (1) and (2) of this
363	subsection, treble damages based upon the amounts prescribed in those paragraphs.".
364	Sec. 4. Applicability.
365	(a) The new section 224(b) of the Rental Housing Conversion and Sale Act of 1980,
366	within section 2(g), shall apply upon the date of inclusion of their fiscal effect in an approved
367	budget and financial plan.
368	(b) The Chief Financial Officer shall certify the date of the inclusion of the fiscal effect in
369	an approved budget and financial plan, and provide notice to the Budget Director of the Council
370	of the certification.
371	(c)(1) The Budget Director shall cause the notice of the certification to be published in
372	the District of Columbia Register.
373	(2) The date of publication of the notice of the certification shall not affect the
374	applicability of this act.
375	Sec. 5. Fiscal impact statement.
376	The Council adopts the fiscal impact statement in the committee report as the fiscal

377	impact statement required by section 4a of the General Legislative Procedures Act of 1975,
378	approved October 16, 2006 (120 Stat. 2038; D.C. Official Code § 1-301.47a).
379	Sec. 6. Effective date.
380	This act shall take effect following approval by the Mayor (or in the event of veto by the
381	Mayor, action by the Council to override the veto), a 30-day period of congressional review as
382	provided in section 602(c)(1) of the District of Columbia Home Rule Act, approved December
383	24, 1973 (87 Stat. 813; D.C. Official Code § 1-206.02(c)(1)), and publication in the District of
384	Columbia Register.