

119TH CONGRESS
1ST SESSION

S. 2404

To subject emergency legislation enacted by the District of Columbia Council to expedited congressional disapproval procedures.

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

JULY 23, 2025

Mr. LEE introduced the following bill; which was read twice and referred to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs

A BILL

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1 *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*
2 *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

3 **SECTION 1. CONGRESSIONAL DISAPPROVAL OF EMER-**
4 **GENCY DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA LEGISLA-**
5 **TION.**

6 The District of Columbia Home Rule Act is amend-
7 ed—

8 (1) in section 412(a) (sec. 1–204.12(a), D.C.
9 Official Code), in the fifth sentence, by inserting
10 after “ninety days” the following: “, unless a joint

1 resolution of disapproval is enacted under section
 2 604 before the expiration of that period”; and

3 (2) in section 602(c) (sec. 1–206.02(c), D.C.
 4 Official Code)—

5 (A) in paragraph (1)—

6 (i) in the first sentence, by striking
 7 “any act which the Council determines, ac-
 8 cording to section 412(a), should take ef-
 9 fect immediately because of emergency cir-
 10 cumstances,”; and

11 (ii) in the second sentence, by striking
 12 “paragraph (2)” and inserting “para-
 13 graphs (2) and (3)”;

14 (B) by redesignating paragraph (3) as
 15 paragraph (4); and

16 (C) by inserting after paragraph (2) the
 17 following:

18 “(3)(A) In the case of any such Act transmitted by
 19 the Chairman which the Council determines according to
 20 section 412(a) should take effect immediately because of
 21 emergency circumstances, the Act shall take effect imme-
 22 diately upon enactment.

23 “(B) The Chairman of the Council shall transmit an
 24 Act described in subparagraph (A) to—

1 “(i) the Speaker of the House of Representa-
2 tives not later than 3 session days (with respect to
3 the House of Representatives) after the date of en-
4 actment of the Act; and

5 “(ii) the President of the Senate not later than
6 3 session days (with respect to the Senate) after the
7 date of enactment of the Act.”.

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