

AN ACT

IN THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

To amend the District of Columbia Noise Control Act of 1977 to exempt the Georgetown bridge repairs, known as the Wisconsin Avenue C&O Canal Bridge Project (Wisconsin Avenue Bridge Project), from the maximum noise level restrictions; and to amend Title 12A of the District of Columbia Municipal Regulations to exempt the Wisconsin Avenue Bridge Project from the limitations on after-hours work.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, That this act may be cited as the “Wisconsin Avenue Bridge Project and Noise Control Amendment Act of 2006”.

Sec. 2. The District of Columbia Noise Control Act of 1977, effective March 16, 1978 (D.C. Law 2-53; 20 DCMR § 2700 *et seq.*), is amended as follows:

(a) Section 3 (20 DCMR § 2799.1) is amended by inserting a new subsection (f-4) to read as follows:

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“(f-4) Wisconsin Avenue Bridge Project – The project being undertaken by the District government to rehabilitate, upgrade, and improve utility infrastructure, roadways, sidewalks, and bridge deck at the Wisconsin Avenue Bridge located over the historic C&O Canal within the Georgetown Business District (which is geographically defined as the bridge span located over the historic C&O Canal between Grace Street and M Street, N.W.), which project will commence in June 2006 and is scheduled to be completed no later than December 31, 2007; provided that work on the project shall terminate no later than 10 p.m. on days conducted.”.

(b) Section 5 (20 DCMR §§ 2800 through 2807) is amended by adding a new subsection (g) to read as follows:

“(g) Notwithstanding any other provision of this act, noise emanating from construction equipment and any activities related to the Wisconsin Avenue Bridge Project shall be exempt until 10 p.m. from any noise limitations contained in this act, including section 5(a), (b), (d)(2), and (e)(2), and shall not be subject to enforcement under any provision of this act.”.

Sec. 3. Section 105 of of Title 12A of the District of Columbia Municipal Regulations (12A DCMR § 105), is amended by adding a new subsection 105.1.11.2 to read as follows:

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“105.1.11.2 Wisconsin Avenue Bridge Project: The limitations on the issuance of after-hours permits set forth in subsection 105.1.11.2 shall not apply to after-hours work related to the Wisconsin Avenue Bridge Project. For the purposes of this section, the “Wisconsin Avenue Bridge Project” means the project being undertaken by the District government to rehabilitate, upgrade, and improve utility infrastructure, roadways, sidewalks, and the bridge deck at the Wisconsin Avenue Bridge located over the historic C&O Canal within the Georgetown

Business District (which is geographically defined as the bridge span located over the historic C&O Canal between Grace Street and M Street, N.W.), which project will commence in June 2006 and is scheduled to be completed no later than December 31, 2007.”.

Sec. 4. Fiscal impact statement.

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

Sec. 5. Effective date.

This act shall take effect following approval by the Mayor (or in the event of veto by the Mayor, action by the Council to override the veto), a 30-day period of Congressional review as provided in section 602(c)(1) of the District of Columbia Home Rule Act, approved December 24, 1973 (87 Stat. 813; D.C. Official Code § 1-206.02(c)(1)), and publication in the District of Columbia Register.

Chairman
Council of the District of Columbia

Mayor
District of Columbia