

A RESOLUTION

**Proposed
Resolution
20-570**

**See Emergency
D.C. Act 20-245
20 DCStat 2639**

To declare the existence of an emergency, due to Congressional review, with respect to the need to amend the Board of Ethics and Government Accountability Establishment and Comprehensive Ethics Reform Amendment Act of 2011 to allow the Director of Government Ethics to issue advisory opinions upon his or her own initiative, clarify how advisory opinions may be appealed, and expand the range of penalties that may be imposed for a low-level violation of the District of Columbia's Code of Conduct.

**Board of
Ethics and
Government
Accountability
Congressional
Review
Emergency
Declaration
Resolution of
2013**

RESOLVED, BY THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, That this resolution may be cited as the “Board of Ethics and Government Accountability Congressional Review Emergency Declaration Resolution of 2013”.

Sec. 2. Bill 20-116, the Board of Ethics and Government Accountability Amendment Act of 2013, passed first reading on November 5, 2013. The bill's second reading occurred on December 3, 2013. The corresponding temporary measure, the Board of Ethics and Government Accountability Temporary Amendment Act of 2013 (D.C. Law 20-3), is set to expire on December 28, 2013. This Congressional review emergency legislation is necessary to prevent a gap in the law while the permanent act undergoes Congressional review.

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 Board of Ethics and Government Accountability Congressional Review Emergency Amendment Act of 2013 be adopted after a single reading.

Sec. 4. This resolution shall take effect immediately.