

**A RESOLUTION**

**Proposed Resolution  
19-1180**

**See Emergency Act  
D.C. Act 19-597  
20 DCSTAT 311**

*To declare the existence of an emergency with respect to the need to strengthen alcohol beverage enforcement and public safety laws, establish a noise complaint line at the Alcoholic Beverage Regulation Administration, establish clear timeframes for the scheduling of protest hearings and for the Alcoholic Beverage Control Board to issue decisions on hearings, clarify and preserve protest rights of residents, and address a range of other issues related to alcohol beverage laws in the District.*

RESOLVED, BY THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, That this resolution may be cited as the “Omnibus Alcoholic Beverage Regulation Emergency Declaration Resolution of 2012”.

**Omnibus Alcoholic  
Beverage Regulation  
Emergency  
Declaration  
Resolution of 2012**

Sec. 2. (a) There exists an immediate need to address enforcement, public safety, and nuisance issues regarding alcoholic beverage regulation that affect residents.

(b) There is an immediate need to clarify and protect protest rights of residents and to strengthen protections related to noise in neighborhoods. The proposed emergency bill addresses a number of issues that have created ongoing problems for residents living in close proximity to nightlife.

(c) There is also an immediate need to ensure timely scheduling of license protest hearings and to ensure that hearing decisions are rendered timely to minimize the costs incurred by businesses resulting from delays in these processes.

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 Omnibus Alcoholic Beverage Regulation Emergency Amendment Act of 2012 be adopted after a single reading.

Sec. 4. This resolution shall take effect immediately.