

A RESOLUTION

**Proposed
Resolution
20-549**

**See Emergency
D.C. Act 20-209
20 DCStat 2598**

**Board of
Elections
Nominating
Petition
Circulator
Affidavit
Emergency
Declaration
Resolution of
2013**

To declare the existence of an emergency with respect to the need to amend the District of Columbia Election Code of 1955 to reflect and establish that each nominating petition circulator must make and sign an affidavit that states that he or she is a qualified petition circulator as that term is defined in the Election Code.

RESOLVED, BY THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, That this resolution may be cited as the "Board of Elections Nominating Petition Circulator Affidavit Emergency Declaration Resolution of 2013".

Sec. 2. (a) The Board of Elections Petition Circulation Requirements Amendment Act of 2013 (D.C. Law 20-31; 60 DCR 11535) ("Circulator Act"), became effective on October 17, 2013.

(b) The Circulator Act abolished the registration and residency requirements for nominating and ballot measure petition circulators and established a requirement that non-resident petition circulators register with the Board of Elections and consent to being subject to the subpoena power of the District of Columbia prior to circulating petitions.

(c) The Circulator Act inadvertently neglected to amend the statements required in a petition circulator's affidavit pursuant to section 8(b)(3) of the District of Columbia Election Code of 1955.

(d) The Board of Elections Nominating Petition Circulator Affidavit Emergency Amendment Act of 2013 corrects this error.

(e) An emergency exists to amend section 8(b)(3) of the District of Columbia Election Code because the nominating petition circulation period for the primary election to be held on April 1, 2014, begins on November 8, 2013.

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 Elections Nominating Petition Circulator Affidavit Emergency Amendment Act of 2013 be adopted after a single reading.

Sec. 4. This resolution shall take effect immediately.