

A RESOLUTION

**Proposed
Resolution
20-544**

**See Emergency
D.C. Act 20-216
20 DCStat 2606**

To declare the existence of an emergency, due to Congressional review, with respect to the need to amend the Washington Metropolitan Area Transit Authority Board of Directors Act of 2012 to change the initial appointment date of Board of Director appointments from July 1, 2013, to January 2, 2014.

**Washington
Metropolitan
Area Transit
Authority
Board of
Directors
Congressional
Review
Emergency
Declaration
Resolution of
2013**

RESOLVED, BY THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, That this resolution may be cited as the “Washington Metropolitan Area Transit Authority Board of Directors Congressional Review Emergency Declaration Resolution of 2013”.

Sec. 2. (a) Section 2 of the Washington Metropolitan Area Transit Authority Board of Directors Act of 2012, effective April 27, 2013 (D. C. Law 19-286; D.C. Official Code § 9-1108.11), requires that initial appointments to the Board of Directors be done on July 1, 2013. As no appointments had been introduced at the close of June 2013, there was insufficient time to complete the full Council process and meet the current statutory mandate.

(b) As such, emergency legislation, D.C. Act 20-105, was adopted by the Council on June 25, 2013, in order to change the initial appointment date from July 1, 2013, to January 2, 2014, allowing sufficient time to properly vet appointees to the board. The emergency measure expired on October 7, 2013, and the identical temporary measure, D.C. Act 20-155, is not projected to become law until December 2, 2013.

(c) Thus, this Congressional review emergency is necessary to prevent a gap in the law.

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 Washington Metropolitan Area Transit Authority Board of Directors Congressional Review Emergency Amendment Act of 2013 be adopted after a single reading.

Sec. 4. The resolution shall take effect immediately.