

AN ACT

Bill 20-541

**Emergency
Declaration
Res. 20-336
20 DCStat 2768**

To amend, on an emergency basis, An Act To create a Department of Corrections in the District of Columbia and the Fiscal Year 2014 Budget Support Act of 2013 to clarify the Department of Corrections' authority over the management and operation of the Central Cellblock at 300 Indiana Avenue, N.W., to include persons detained at a medical facility in the District.

**Codification
District of
Columbia
Official Code
2001 Edition**

BE IT ENACTED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, That this act may be cited as the "Department of Corrections Central Cellblock Management Clarification Emergency Amendment Act of 2013".

**Department of
Corrections
Central
Cellblock
Management
Clarification
Emergency
Amendment
Act of 2013**

Sec. 2. Section 2 of An Act To create a Department of Corrections in the District of Columbia, approved June 27, 1946 (60 Stat. 320; D.C. Official Code § 24-211.02), is amended by adding a new subsection (a-1) to reads as follows:

**Note,
§ 24-211.02**

"(a-1)(1) The Department of Corrections shall have charge of the management and operation of the Central Cellblock, located at 300 Indiana Avenue, N.W., Washington, D.C., and shall be responsible for the safekeeping, care, and protection of all persons detained at the Central Cellblock or detained at a medical facility in the District, by the Metropolitan Police Department, before their initial court appearance.

"(2) Nothing in this subsection shall be construed as:

"(A) Removing any authority from the Metropolitan Police Department to determine where to hold in custody any person arrested and awaiting an initial court appearance;

"(B) Granting any arrest powers to any employee of the Department of Corrections performing any duty at the Central Cellblock; or

"(C) Limiting any powers or authority of the Metropolitan Police Department or the Department of Corrections."

Sec. 3. Section 3002 of the Fiscal Year 2014 Budget Support Act of 2013, signed by the Mayor on August 28, 2013 (D.C. Act 20-157; 60 DCR 12472), is amended to read as follows:

**Note,
§ 24-211.02**

"Sec. 3002. Section 2 of An Act To create a Department of Corrections in the District of Columbia, approved June 27, 1946 (60 Stat. 320; D.C. Official Code § 24-211.02), is amended by adding a new subsection (a-1) to reads as follows:

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“(A) Removing any authority from the Metropolitan Police Department to determine where to hold in custody any person arrested and awaiting an initial court appearance;

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“(C) Limiting any powers or authority of the Metropolitan Police Department or the Department of Corrections.”.

Sec. 4. Fiscal impact statement.

The Council adopts the fiscal impact statement of the Chief Financial Officer 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), and shall remain in effect for no longer than 90 days, as provided for emergency acts of the Council of the District of Columbia in section 412(a) of the District of Columbia Home Rule Act, approved December 24, 1973 (87 Stat. 788; D.C. Official Code § 1-204.12(a)).