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15 IN THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA
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18 To amend an Act To provide for the abatement of nuisances in the District of Columbia to include
19 flagrant, repeated, fraudulent, or willful violation by a property owner of residential tenant
20 housing that occur 3 times in an 18-month period and 3 housing code violations that
21 endangers the health, safety, or welfare of the tenants that occur in an 18-month to be placed
22 in receivership.

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24 BE IT ENACTED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, That this
25 act may be cited as the “Housing Provider Repeated Violation Enhancement Amendment Act of
26 2019”.

27 Sec. 2. An Act To provide for the abatement of nuisances in the District of Columbia
28 by the Commissioners of said District, and for other purposes, approved April 14, 1906 (34
29 Stat. 114; D.C. Official Code ' 42-3131.01 et seq.), is amended as follows:

30 (a) Section 502 (D.C. Official Code §42-3651.02), is amended as follows:

31 “(a)(1) striking the phase “Regulations,” and inserting the phase “Regulations, flagrant,
32 repeated, fraudulent, or willful violation by a property owner of residential tenant housing that
33 occur 3 times in an 18-month period.”

34 “(b) striking the phase “tenants.” and inserting the phase “tenants, or 3 housing code
35 violations that endangers the health, safety, or welfare of the tenants that occur in an 18- month
36 period.”

37 Sec. 3. Fiscal impact statement.

38 The Council adopts the fiscal impact statement in the committee report as the fiscal impact
39 statement required by section 4a of the General Legislative Procedures Act of 1975, approved
40 October 16, 2006 (120 Stat. 2038; D. C. Official Code § 1-301.47a).

41 Sect. 4. Effective date.

42 This act shall take effect following approval by the Mayor (or in the event of veto by the
43 Mayor, action by the Council to override the veto), a 30-day period of congressional review as
44 provided in section 602(c)(1) of the District of Columbia Home Rule Act, approved December 24,
45 1973 (87 Stat. 813; D.C. Official Code § 1-206.02(c)(1)), and publication in the district of
46 Columbia Register.



HOUSING PROVIDER REPEATED VIOLATION ENHANCEMENT AMENDMENT ACT OF 2019

WHAT THIS BILL WOULD DO

This bill amends the Abatement and Condemnation of Nuisance Properties Omnibus Amendment Act of 2008 to allow a receiver to be appointed for property owner who has flagrant, repeated, fraudulent, or willful violation that happens 3 times in 18 months or 3 housing code violations that endangers the health, safety, or welfare of the tenants that occur in an 18- month period.

WHY THIS LEGISLATION IS IMPORTANT

Living in a rental unit should not put your health in jeopardy. However, the Office of the Attorney General continues to sue property owner because the health of District residents is being endangered. This legislation seeks to provide a method to have the harmful issues corrected under the supervision of a receiver.