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Chairman Phil Mendelson

**AN AMENDMENT**

Bill 23-733, “COVID-19 Response Supplemental Emergency Amendment Act of 2020”

April 7, 2020

Introduced Version

**Section 202. Mortgage Relief**

(a) Section 202(g), Line 374, is amended by striking the phrase “commercial tenant” and inserting the phrase “tenant” in its place

(b) Section 202(l)(5), Line 405, is amended by striking the phrase “commercial tenant” and inserting the phrase “tenant” in its place

**Rationale**: This change would allow a residential tenant that is impacted by the public health emergency to request a rent deferral from a landlord receiving a mortgage deferral.

**Section 204. Utilities.**

(a) Section 204(a), Lines 476-485, in each place it appears, strike the phrase “other cable operator” and inserting the phrase “other basic cable operator” in its place.

(b) Section 204(a), Line 484, strike the phrase “includes broadband” and insert the phrase “includes basic broadband” in its place

(c) Section 204(b), Line 495, strike the phrase “degrade telecommunications” and insert the phrase “degrade basic telecommunications” in its place.

**Rationale**: This change is a technical change requested by the Executive. It clarifies that a utility provider may lower an internet tier for nonpayment, but must still provide at least basic service.

**Section 205. Certified Business Enterprise assistance**

Section 205(b)(3), Line 545, is amended by striking the phrase “CBE Act shall receive” and inserting the phrase “CBE Act, the beneficiary shall receive”

**Rationale**: This change is a technical change requested by the Executive.

**Section 207. Debt Collection.**

Section 207(b), amendatory section (l)(1), line 652, is amended by striking the phrase “subsection (a) of this section” and inserting the phrase “subsection (a) of this section, subsections (l) and (m) of this section shall apply to any debt, including but not limited to,” in its place

**Rationale**: This change is a technical change requested by the Office of the Attorney General.