



Chairman Phil Mendelson

AN AMENDMENT

Bill 24-140, "Coronavirus Support Temporary Amendment Act of 2021"
(Engrossed Version)
April 6, 2021

Amendment:

Section 407 is amended to read as follows:

"Sec. 407. Nonprofit corporations and cooperative association remote meetings.

"Title 29 of the District of Columbia Official Code is amended as follows:

(a) Section 29-405.01(e) is amended by striking the phrase "The articles of incorporation or bylaws may provide that an annual" and inserting the phrase "Notwithstanding the articles of incorporation or bylaws, ~~during a period for which a public health emergency has been declared pursuant to section 5a of the District of Columbia Public Emergency Act of 1980, effective October 17, 2002 (D.C. Law 14-194, D.C. Official Code § 7-2304.01)~~, an annual" in its place.

"(b) Section 29-910 is amended by striking the phrase "If authorized by the articles or bylaws" and inserting the phrase "~~During a period for which a public health emergency has been declared pursuant to section 5a of the District of Columbia Public Emergency Act of 1980, effective October 17, 2002 (D.C. Law 14-194, D.C. Official Code § 7-2304.01)~~, Regardless of whether remote regular and special meetings of members are authorized by the articles or bylaws" in its place.

Rationale: This will allow for nonprofit associations and cooperative associations to continue to meet virtually through the life of the Temporary Act (approximately the end of this calendar year) regardless of whether the public health emergency is still in effect. A nonprofit professional association contacted several offices to bring up this issue. The amendment will aid such organizations, including housing cooperatives, in planning for virtual conferences or meetings through the end of this year.