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COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

D.C. LAW 11-101

"Prevention of Transmission of the Human Immunodeficiency Virus Amendment Act of 1996".

Pursuant to Section 412 of the District of Columbia Self-Government and Governmental Reorganization Act, P.L. 93-198 "the Act", the Council of the District of Columbia adopted Bill No. 11-324 on first and second readings, December 5, 1995 and January 4, 1996 respectively. Following the signature of the Mayor on January 25, 1996, pursuant to Section 404(e) of "the Act", and was assigned Act No. 11-190 and published in the February 2, 1996, edition of the D.C. Register (Vol. 43 page 399) and transmitted to Congress on February 8, 1996 for a 30-day review, in accordance with Section 602(c)(1) of the Act.

The Council of the District of Columbia hereby gives notice that the 30-day Congressional Review Period has expired, and therefore, cites this enactment as D.C. Law 11-101, effective March 22, 1996.

DAVID A. CLARKE Chairman of the Council

<u>Dates Counted During the 30-day Congressional Review Period</u>:

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AN ACT

D.C. ACT_11-190

IN THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

JANUARY 25, 1996

To amend the Drug Paraphernalia Act of 1982 to allow qualified community based organizations or other qualified individuals, specifically designated by the Commissioner of Public Health, to exchange needles and syringes under the Needle Exchange Program in the District of Columbia.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, That this act may be cited as the "Prevention of Transmission of the Human Immunodeficiency Virus Amendment Act of 1996".

- Sec. 2. Section 4a of the Drug Paraphernalia Act of 1982, effective March 25, 1993 (D.C. Law 9-252; D.C. Code § 33-603.1), is amended as follows:
 - (a) Subsection (b) is amended to read as follows:
- "(b) The Program authorized by subsection (a) of this section shall be administered by the Commission on Public Health in the Department of Human Services. Only qualified medical officers, registered nurses, counselors, community based organizations, or other qualified individual specifically designated by the Commissioner of Public Health shall be authorized to exchange hypodermic needles and syringes under the provisions of subsections (c) through (i) of this section."
 - (b) Subsection (e) is amended to read as follows:
- "(e) The District of Columbia, its officers, or employees shall not be liable for any injury or damage resulting from use of, or contact with, any needle exchanged as part of the Program authorized by subsection (a) of this section.".
 - (c) A new subsection (e-1) is added to read as follows:
- "(e-1) A community based organization or other qualified individual designated by the Commissioner of Public Health under subsection (b) of this section shall not be liable for any injury or damage resulting from the use of, or contact with, any needle exchanged as part of the

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Program authorized by subsection (a) of this section, unless such injury or damage is a direct result of the gross negligence or intentional misconduct of such community based organization or other qualified individual."

Sec. 3. 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), approval by the Financial Responsibility and Management Assistance Authority as provided in section 203(a) of the District of Columbia Financial Responsibility and Management Assistance Authority Act of 1995, approved April 17, 1995 (109 Stat. 116; D.C. Code § 47-392.3(c)), and a 30-day period of Congressional review as provided in section 602(c)(1) of the District of Columbia Self-Government and Governmental Reorganization Act, approved December 24, 1973 (87 Stat. 813; D.C. Code § 1-233(c)(1)), and publication in the District of Columbia Register.

Chairman

Council of the District of Columbia

Mayor

District of Columbia

APPROVED: January 25, 1996



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