COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

NOTICE

D.C. LAW 7-135

"District of Columbia Minors Theatrical Employment Permit Amendment Act of 1988".

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. 7-397 on first and second readings, April 19, 1988, and May 3, 1988, respectively. Following the signature of the Mayor on May 19, 1988, this legislation was assigned Act No. 7-185, published in the June 3, 1988, edition of the <u>D.C.</u> <u>Register</u>, (Vol. 35 page 4114) and transmitted to Congress on May 24, 1988 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 7-135, effective July 12, 1988.

Α. ELARKE DAV TD Chairman of the Council

Dates Counted During the 30-day Congressional Review Period: May 24,25,26,27 June 1,2,3,6,7,8,9,10,13,14,15,16,17,20,21,22,23,24,27,28 29,30 July 6,7,8,11 AN ACT

D.C. ACT 7 -185

IN THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

MAY 1 9 1988

To amend the provisions of the District of Columbia Employment of Minors Act to provide for the issuance of theatrical employment permits for minors under the mandatory school attendance age.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, That this act may be cited as the "District of Columbia Minors Theatrical Employment Permit Amendment Act of 1988".

Sec. 2. The District of Columbia Employment of Minors Act, approved May 29, 1928 (45 Stat. 998; D.C. Code, sec. 36-501 et seq.), is amended as follows:

(a) Section 7a (D.C. Code, sec.36-506) is amended to read as follows:

"Sec.7a.(a) The Board of Education may issue a theatrical employment permit to a minor under 18 years of age permitting the minor to:

"(1) Perform on the stage of a licensed theatre within the District of Columbia in a professional theatrical production;

production; "(2) Perform in a musical or dance recital or concert;

"(3) Participate in a radio or television program;

"(4) Participate in a motion picture;

"(5) Appear as a fashion model; or

"(6) Participate in a professional sports activity or circus.

"(b) An application for a theatrical permit shall be made by the parent or guardian, and by the agent if applicable, of the minor to the Board of Education. The Board of Education may issue a theatrical employment permit if the Board is satisfied that adequate provisions have been made for the educational instruction of the minor, for safeguarding the minor's health, and for the proper supervision of the minor. The Board of Education may

B.C. Code, sec. 36-506 (1989 supp.) require the employer to provide the necessary resources to satisfy the requirements of this subsection.

"(c) A minor shall not appear in more than 2 live performances in 1 day or more than 8 live performances in 1 week. A minor shall not appear in a live performance, or otherwise be required to work, before 7:00 a.m. or after 11:30 p.m.. A licensed practical nurse with substantial pediatric experience, or a registered nurse who is a Pediatric Nurse Practitioner, shall be provided for each 3 or fewer infants under the age of 30 months.

"(d) A theatrical employment permit shall limit the time during which a minor 7 years of age or younger is permitted at the place of employment within a 24 hour period according to age as follows:

"(1) An infant under the age of 6 months may be permitted to remain at the place of employment for a maximum of 2 hours, which shall consist of not more than 20 minutes of work.

"(2) A minor between the age of 6 months and 30 months may be permitted at the place of employment for a maximum of 4 hours, which shall consist of not more than 2 hours of work, with the balance of the 4-hour period being rest or recreation.

"(3) A minor between the age of 30 months and 7 years may be permitted at the place of employment for a maximum of 6 hours, which shall consist of not more than 3 hours of work, with the balance of the 6 hour period being rest, recreation, or education.

"(e) For the purposes of this section, the term "theatrical employment permit" means an authorization to perform or appear in any of the activities listed in subsection (a) of this section for monetary remuneration, a gift, or other form of valuable consideration.".

(b) Section 15 (D.C. Code, sec. 36-513) is amended to read as follows:

"Sec.15. (a) A person commits an offense under this act if that person:

"(1) Employs a minor or permits a minor to work in violation of this Act, of any regulation promulgated by the Board of Education pursuant to section 29, or of any order issued under the provisions of section 3; or

"(2) Interferes with the Board of Education, its officers or agents, or any other person authorized by the District to inspect places of employment of minors.

"(b) A person convicted of a 1st offense under this section shall be fined not less than \$1,000 nor more than \$3,000, or imprisoned not less than 10 days nor more than 30 days, or both. A person convicted of a second or subsequent offense under this section shall be fined not less than \$3,000 nor more than \$5,000, or imprisoned not less than 30

D.C. Code, sec. 36-513 (1989 supp.) days nor more than 90 days, or both. Each day during which a violation of this act occurs shall constitute a separate offense.".

Sec. 3. This act shall take effect after a 30-day period of Congressional review following approval by the Mayor (or in the event of veto by the Mayor, action by the Council of the District of Columbia to override the veto) 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, sec. 1-233(c)(1)), and publication in either the District of Columbia Register, the District of Columbia Statutes-at-Large, or the District of Columbia Municipal Regulations.

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APPROVED: May 19, 1988

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