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To amend the Youth Employment Act of 1979 to classify as economically disadvantaged persons who reside or once resided in juvenile detention facilities and to require that each youth employment program make a good faith effort to fill at least 30% of its available positions with economically disadvantaged persons.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, That this act may be cited as the "Priority Employment for Economically Disadvantaged Youth in the Youth Employment Program Amendment Act of 2008".

Sec. 2. Section 2(d) of the Youth Employment Act of 1979, effective January 5, 1980 (D.C. Law 3-46; D.C. Official Code § 32-241(d)), is amended to read as follows:

Amend
§ 32-241

“(d) For the purposes of this section, the term:

“(1) "Economically disadvantaged" means a person who is either:

“(A) A member of a family which receives public assistance;

“(B) A member of a family whose income during the previous 6 months

on an annualized basis was such that:

“(i) The family would have qualified for public assistance if it had applied for such assistance;

“(ii) It does not exceed the poverty level; or

“(iii) It does not exceed 70% of the lower living standard income level;

“(C) A foster child on whose behalf state or local government payments are made; or

“(D) Where the status presents a significant barrier to employment:

“(i) A client of a sheltered workshop;

“(ii) An individual with a disability;

“(iii) A person residing, or who once resided, in an institution or facility providing 24-hour support, such as a prison, a juvenile detention facility, a hospital, or a community care facility; or

“(iv) A regular outpatient of a mental hospital rehabilitation

facility or similar institution.

“(2) “Priority” means a good faith effort by a program under this act to fill at least 30% of the program’s available positions with persons classified as economically disadvantaged.”.

Sec. 3. Fiscal impact statement.

The Council adopts the fiscal impact statement of the Chief Financial Officer, dated June 3, 2008, as the fiscal impact statement required by section 602(c)(3) of the District of Columbia Home Rule Act, approved December 24, 1973 (87 Stat. 813; D.C. Official Code § 1-206.02(c)(3)).

Sec. 4. Effective date.

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), a 30-day period of Congressional review as provided in section 602(c)(1) of the District of Columbia Home Rule Act, approved December 24, 1973 (87 Stat. 813; D.C. Official Code § 1-206.02(c)(1)), and publication in the District of Columbia Register.

Chairman
Council of the District of Columbia

Mayor
District of Columbia