

COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA


NOTICE

D.C. LAW 4-127

"Council of the District of Columbia Independence Act of 1982".

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. 4-240 on first and second readings, March 9, 1982 and March 23, 1982, respectively. Following the Signature of the Mayor on June 1, 1982, this legislation was assigned Act No. 4-192, published in the June 11, 1982 edition of the D.C. Register, (Vol. 29 page 2396) and transmitted to Congress on June 4, 1982 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 4-127, effective July 24, 1982.

  
ARRINGTON DIXON  
Chairman of the Council

Dates Counted During the 30-day Congressional Review Period:

June 4, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, 28, 29, 30  
July 1, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23

AN ACT

D.C. ACT 4-192

IN THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

JUN 01 1982

To establish the Council of the District of Columbia as an independent branch of the District of Columbia government; to authorize the Chairman of the Council of the District of Columbia to appoint a study committee to draft rules to sever certain systems linkages between the Council of the District of Columbia and the Executive Branch of the District of Columbia government; to recognize and implement the principle of separation of powers; and for other purposes.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA,  
That this act may be cited as the "Council of the District of Columbia Independence Act of 1982".

Sec. 2. Independence of the Council of the District of Columbia Established and Recognized.

(a) The Council of the District of Columbia ("Council") administratively establishes itself, as authorized in title IV of the District of Columbia Self-Government and Governmental Reorganization Act, approved December 24, 1973 (87 Stat. 785; D.C. Code, sec. 1-221 et seq.), as an independent and coordinate branch of the District of Columbia government.

(b) The Council recognizes the principle of separation of powers in the structure of the District

CODIFICATION  
New  
D.C. Code,  
sec. 1-227.1  
(1981 ed.)

of Columbia government.

(c) The Council shall, following receipt of the report of the study committee established by section 3, adopt such acts and resolutions to implement the organizational and administrative independence of the Council.

Sec. 3. Study Committee Established.

(a) Within thirty (30) days after the effective date of this act, the Chairman of the Council shall establish a study committee to study the organizational and administrative independence of the Council as a coordinate branch of the District of Columbia government.

(b) The study committee shall be comprised of five (5) members of the Council of the District of Columbia.

(c) The Secretary to the Council shall provide such staff support as may be necessary to the study committee.

Sec. 4. Responsibilities of the Study Committee.

The study committee shall study the organizational and administrative linkages of the Council to the Executive Branch of the District of Columbia government and submit recommendations concerning the establishment of the following autonomous systems:

(a) a personnel system for its employees, which shall include the following:

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- (1) job descriptions for all Council staff positions;
- (2) a method of appointment;
- (3) a pay schedule, which may provide for pay increases based upon quality or longevity, or both, and overtime compensation;
- (4) a leave system;
- (5) a system for paid holidays;
- (6) a system for the presentation of grievances for persons supervised by the officers of the Council and for their review;
- (7) prevention of conflicts of interests;
- (8) provision of health and life insurance, disability compensation coverage, and retirement;
- (9) control and retention of employee personnel records;
- (10) continued coverage under the provisions of section 2501 of the District of Columbia Government Comprehensive Merit Personnel Act of 1978, effective March 3, 1979 (D.C. Law 2-139; D.C. Code, sec. 1-625.1) ("Personnel Act");
- (11) a program of occupational safety and health;
- (12) procedures for waiving erroneous payments to employees;
- (13) residency requirements; and
- (14) an employment oath similar to that in

section 406 of the Personnel Act (D.C. Code, sec. 1-604.6);

(b) a system for the award of contracts giving due regard to aiding minority business enterprises and those enterprises located within the District of Columbia;

(c) the authority to open and manage a checking account for all funds appropriated to the Council;

(d) the publication of the "COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA RECORD" which may serve as the official record of all bills, resolutions, hearings, reports, and announcements of the Council;

(e) the authority to engage such security guards as may be needed within the limit of existing appropriations;

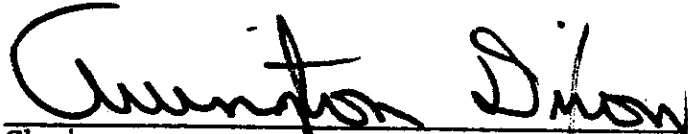
(f) the authority to secure the records of the Council for their orderly storage in and retrieval from appropriate District of Columbia or federal depositories as may be arranged by agreement; and

(g) appropriate amendments to existing laws to effect the purposes of this act.

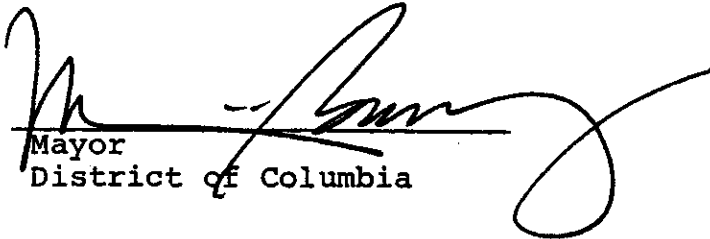
Sec. 5. Effective Date Provisions.

This act shall take effect after a thirty (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)).



Chairman  
Council of the District of Columbia



Mayor  
District of Columbia

APPROVED: June 1, 1982



COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA  
Council Period Four  
First Session

DOCKET NO: B 4-240

Item on Consent Calendar

ACTION: Adopted First Reading, 3-9-82

VOICE VOTE: By Majority, Member Clarke voted no and  
Member Moore voted present

Absent: all present

ROLL CALL VOTE:

COUNCIL MEMBER	AYE	NAY	N.V.	A.B.	COUNCIL MEMBER	AYE	NAY	N.V.	A.B.	COUNCIL MEMBER	AYE	NAY	N.V.	A.B.
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WINTER					MASON					SPAULDING				
CLARKE					MOORE, JR.					WILSON				
CRAWFORD					RAY									
JARVIS					ROLARK									

X - Indicates Vote A.B. - Absent N.V. - Not Voting

CERTIFICATION OF RECORD

*William B. Cunningham*  
Secretary to the Council

3/24/82  
Date

Item on Consent Calendar

ACTION: Adopted Final Reading, 3-23-82

VOICE VOTE: By Majority, Member Clarke voted no

Absent: Moore and Spaulding

ROLL CALL VOTE:

COUNCIL MEMBER	AYE	NAY	N.V.	A.B.	COUNCIL MEMBER	AYE	NAY	N.V.	A.B.	COUNCIL MEMBER	AYE	NAY	N.V.	A.B.
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ACTION: \_\_\_\_\_

VOICE VOTE: \_\_\_\_\_

Absent: \_\_\_\_\_

ROLL CALL VOTE:

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