

A BILL

23-686

IN THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

To amend, on a temporary basis, the Firearms Control Regulations Act of 1975 to establish an Extreme Risk Protection Order Implementation Working Group, to determine its membership, and to specify its duties.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, That this act may be cited as the “Extreme Risk Protection Order Implementation Working Group Temporary Amendment Act of 2020”.

Sec. 2. The Firearms Control Regulations Act of 1975, effective September 24, 1976 (D.C. Law 1-85; D.C. Official Code § 7-2501.01 *et seq.*), is amended by adding a new section 1013 to read as follows:

“Sec. 1013. Extreme risk protection order implementation working group.

“(a) There is established an Extreme Risk Protection Order Implementation Working Group (“Working Group”), which shall be composed of the following:

“(1) District government members, or their designees:

“(A) The Chairperson of the Council’s Committee on the Judiciary and Public Safety;

“(B) The Deputy Mayor for Public Safety and Justice;

“(C) The Deputy Mayor for Health and Human Services;

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- 28 “(D) The Attorney General for the District of Columbia;
- 29 “(E) The Chief of the Metropolitan Police Department;
- 30 “(F) The Executive Director of the Office of Neighborhood Safety and
31 Engagement;
- 32 “(G) The Director of the Department of Youth Rehabilitation Services;
- 33 “(H) The Chief Medical Examiner;
- 34 “(I) The Director of the Department of Forensic Sciences;
- 35 “(J) The Director of the Office of Victim Services and Justice Grants;
- 36 “(K) The Executive Director of the Criminal Justice Coordinating
37 Council; and
- 38 “(L) The Director of the Department of Behavioral Health; and
- 39 “(2) Community members and organizations, or their designees:
- 40 “(A) Everytown for Gun Safety;
- 41 “(B) Moms Demand Action for Gun Sense in America, D.C. Chapter;
- 42 “(C) The Giffords Law Center to Prevent Gun Violence;
- 43 “(D) The Coalition to Stop Gun Violence;
- 44 “(E) Brady: United Against Gun Violence;
- 45 “(F) The D.C. Appleseed Center for Law & Justice;
- 46 “(G) The D.C. Coalition Against Domestic Violence;
- 47 “(H) The D.C. Behavioral Health Association; and

48 “(I) One representative from each of the District’s violence interruption
49 contractors with the Office of Neighborhood Safety and Engagement and the Office of the
50 Attorney General’s Cure the Streets Program.

51 “(b) The Working Group may also request the participation of other subject matter
52 experts, as well as designees of the following:

53 “(1) The Chief Judge of the Superior Court for the District of Columbia; and

54 “(2) The United States Attorney for the District of Columbia.

55 “(c) The Chairperson of the Council’s Committee on the Judiciary and Public Safety and
56 the Deputy Mayor for Public Safety and Justice shall serve as the co-chairs of the Working
57 Group.

58 “(d) The duties of the Working Group shall include:

59 “(1) Improving public awareness of extreme risk protection orders;

60 “(2) Improving the coordination of District and federal agencies regarding the
61 filing, adjudication, and execution of extreme risk protection orders;

62 “(3) Facilitating the education of behavioral and mental health professionals about
63 extreme risk protection orders;

64 “(4) Advancing the development of District government policies and procedures
65 to govern extreme risk protection orders, such as written directives of the Metropolitan Police
66 Department; and

67 “(5) Reviewing and incorporating best practices from other jurisdictions
68 concerning extreme risk protection order laws, policies, and procedures.

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69 “(e) The Working Group shall sunset on July 15, 2021.”.

70 Sec. 3. Fiscal impact statement.

71 The Council adopts the fiscal impact statement of the Budget Director as the fiscal impact
72 statement required by section 4a of the General Legislative Procedures Act of 1975, approved
73 October 16, 2006 (120 Stat. 2038; D.C. Official Code § 1-301.47a).

74 Sec. 4. Effective date.

75 (a) This act shall take effect following approval by the Mayor (or in the event of veto by
76 the Mayor, action by the Council to override the veto), a 30-day period of congressional review
77 as provided in section 602(c)(1) of the District of Columbia Home Rule Act, approved December
78 24, 1973 (87 Stat. 813; D.C. Official Code § 1-206.02(c)(1)), and publication in the District of
79 Columbia Register.

80 (b) This act shall expire after 225 days of its having taken effect.