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IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

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## AN ACT

To amend the District of Columbia Home Rule Act to reduce  
the waiting period for holding special elections to fill  
vacancies in local offices in the District of Columbia.

1       *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*  
2       *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

1 **SECTION 1. TIMING OF SPECIAL ELECTIONS FOR LOCAL**  
2 **OFFICE IN DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA.**

3 (a) COUNCIL.—

4 (1) CHAIRMAN.—Section 401(b)(3) of the Dis-  
5 trict of Columbia Home Rule Act (sec. 1–  
6 204.01(b)(3), D.C. Official Code) is amended by  
7 striking “one hundred and fourteen days” and in-  
8 serting “seventy days”.

9 (2) MEMBERS ELECTED FROM WARDS.—Section  
10 401(d)(1) of such Act (sec. 1–204.01(d)(1), D.C.  
11 Official Code) is amended by striking “one hundred  
12 and fourteen days” and inserting “seventy days”.

13 (3) MEMBERS ELECTED AT LARGE.—Section  
14 401(d)(2) of such Act (sec. 1–204.01(d)(2), D.C.  
15 Official Code) is amended by striking “one hundred  
16 and fourteen days” and inserting “seventy days”.

17 (b) MAYOR.—Section 421(c)(2) of such Act (sec. 1–  
18 204.21(c)(2), D.C. Official Code) is amended by striking  
19 “one hundred and fourteen days” and inserting “seventy  
20 days”.

21 (c) EFFECTIVE DATE.—The amendments made by  
22 subsections (a) and (b) shall apply with respect to vacan-

1 cies occurring on or after the date of the enactment of  
2 this Act.

Passed the House of Representatives November 16,  
2010.

Attest:                      LORRAINE C. MILLER,  
*Clerk.*