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To authorize the District of Columbia to enter into multi-year agreements to carry out certain public-private partnership projects and make payments for the termination costs under such agreements in any fiscal year, and for other purposes.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

OCTOBER 2, 2018

Ms. NORTON introduced the following bill; which was referred to the
Committee on Oversight and Government Reform

A BILL

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

3 **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

4 This Act may be cited as the “District of Columbia
5 Public-Private Partnerships Home Rule Act”.

1 **SEC. 2. AUTHORIZING DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA TO ENTER**
2 **INTO MULTI-YEAR AGREEMENTS TO CARRY**
3 **OUT PUBLIC-PRIVATE PARTNERSHIP PROJ-**
4 **ECTS AND PAY TERMINATION COSTS IN ANY**
5 **FISCAL YEAR.**

6 (a) AUTHORIZING AGREEMENTS AND PAYMENTS.—
7 Notwithstanding any provision of subchapter III of chap-
8 ter 13 or subchapter II of chapter 15 of title 31, United
9 States Code (commonly known as the “Anti-Deficiency
10 Act”) and subject to subsection (b), the District of Colum-
11 bia may enter into a multi-year public-private partnership
12 agreement under the Public–Private Partnership Act of
13 2014 (sec. 2–271.01 et seq., D.C. Official Code) and make
14 payments for the termination costs under such an agree-
15 ment in any fiscal year.

16 (b) CONDITIONS FOR PAYMENTS FOR TERMINATION
17 COSTS.—

18 (1) APPROVAL BY CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFI-
19 CER.—The District of Columbia may make a pay-
20 ment under subsection (a) in any fiscal year for ter-
21 mination costs described in such subsection only if
22 the Chief Financial Officer of the District of Colum-
23 bia certifies that a source of funds is available for
24 the payment from other appropriations then avail-
25 able for any other purpose, consistent with the limi-
26 tations of paragraph (2).

1 (2) PROHIBITING USE OF RESERVE FUNDS AS
2 SOURCE OF PAYMENTS.—The funds used to make a
3 payment under subsection (a) for termination costs
4 described in such subsection may not be derived
5 from amounts held in the emergency cash reserve
6 fund described in section 450A(a) of the District of
7 Columbia Home Rule Act (sec. 1–204.50a(a), D.C.
8 Official Code) or the contingency cash reserve fund
9 described in section 450A(b) of such Act (sec. 1–
10 204.50a(b), D.C. Official Code).

11 (c) TREATMENT OF FUNDS USED TO MAKE PAY-
12 MENTS.—Any funds certified by the Chief Financial Offi-
13 cer as available to be used to make a payment under sub-
14 section (a) for termination costs described in such sub-
15 section shall be deemed to have been appropriated for the
16 purpose of the payment, shall retain appropriations au-
17 thority for such purpose, and shall remain available until
18 expended for such purpose.

19 (d) EFFECTIVE DATE.—This Act shall apply with re-
20 spect to payments made during fiscal year 2019 or any
21 succeeding fiscal year.

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