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113TH CONGRESS  
1ST SESSION

**H. R.** 1246

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IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Ms. NORTON introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on \_\_\_\_\_

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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,*

1 **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

2 This Act may be cited as the “District of Columbia  
3 Chief Financial Officer Vacancy Act”.

4 **SEC. 2. AUTHORIZING DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA TREASURER**  
5 **OR DEPUTY CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER OF**  
6 **OFFICE OF CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER OF**  
7 **THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA TO SERVE AS**  
8 **ACTING CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER IN**  
9 **EVENT OF VACANCY IN OFFICE.**

10 (a) AUTHORIZING SERVICE IN ACTING CAPACITY IN  
11 EVENT OF VACANCY IN OFFICE.—Section 424(b) of the  
12 District of Columbia Home Rule Act (sec. 1–204.24(b),  
13 D.C. Official Code) is amended by adding at the end the  
14 following new paragraph:

15 “(3) AUTHORIZING TREASURER OR DEPUTY  
16 CFO TO PERFORM DUTIES IN ACTING CAPACITY IN  
17 EVENT OF VACANCY IN OFFICE.—

18 “(A) SERVICE AS CFO.—

19 “(i) IN GENERAL.—Except as pro-  
20 vided in clause (ii), if there is a vacancy in  
21 the Office of Chief Financial Officer be-  
22 cause the Chief Financial Officer has died,  
23 resigned, or is otherwise unable to perform  
24 the functions and duties of the Office—

25 “(I) the District of Columbia  
26 Treasurer shall serve as the Chief Fi-

1            nancial Officer in an acting capacity,  
2            subject to the time limitation of sub-  
3            paragraph (B); or

4            “(II) the Mayor may direct one  
5            of the Deputy Chief Financial Officers  
6            of the Office referred to in subpara-  
7            graphs (A) through (D) of subsection  
8            (a)(3) to serve as the Chief Financial  
9            Officer in an acting capacity, subject  
10           to the time limitation of subparagraph  
11           (B).

12           “(ii) EXCLUSION OF CERTAIN INDI-  
13           VIDUALS.—Notwithstanding clause (i), an  
14           individual may not serve as the Chief Fi-  
15           nancial Officer under such clause if the in-  
16           dividual did not serve as the District of  
17           Columbia Treasurer or as one of such Dep-  
18           uty Chief Financial Officers of the Office  
19           of the Chief Financial Officer (as the case  
20           may be) for at least 90 days during the 1-  
21           year period which ends on the date the va-  
22           cancy occurs.

23           “(B) TIME LIMITATION.—A vacancy in the  
24           Office of the Chief Financial Officer may not be  
25           filled by the service of any individual in an act-

1           ing capacity under subparagraph (A) after the  
2           expiration of the 210-day period which begins  
3           on the date the vacancy occurs.”.

4       (b)       CONFORMING        AMENDMENT.—Section  
5 424(b)(2)(D) of such Act (sec. 1–204.24(b)(2)(D), D.C.  
6 Official Code) is amended by striking “Any vacancy” and  
7 inserting “Subject to paragraph (3), any vacancy”.

8       (c) EFFECTIVE DATE.—The amendments made by  
9 this Act shall apply with respect to vacancies occurring  
10 on or after the date of the enactment of this Act.