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D.C. Code § 2-592 (2012)

THIS SECTION HAS MORE THAN ONE DOCUMENT WITH VARYING EFFECTIVE DATES.

§ 2-592. Establishment of the District of Columbia Open Government Office [Applicable when contingency met]

The District of Columbia Open Government Office ("Open Government Office") is established as an independent office within the Board of Ethics and Government Accountability to promote open governance in the District of Columbia. All assets, staff, and unexpended appropriations of the Open Government Office shall be transferred to the Board of Ethics and Government Accountability.

HISTORY: Act of Oct. 21, 1968, § 502, as added Mar. 31, 2011, D.C. Law 18-350, § 2, 58 DCR 734; Apr. 27, 2012, D.C. Law 19-124, § 501(a)(1), 59 DCR 1862.

NOTES: EFFECT OF AMENDMENTS. --The 2011 amendment by D.C. Law 18-350 added this section.

The 2012 amendment by D.C. Law 19-124 substituted "independent office within the Board of Ethics and Government Accountability" for "independent agency" in the first sentence; and added the second sentence.

EMERGENCY LEGISLATION. --For temporary amendment of section, see § 401(a)(1) of the Board of Ethics and Government Accountability Establishment and Comprehensive Ethics Reform Emergency Amendment Act of 2012 (D.C. Act 19-298, January 29, 2012, 59 DCR 683), applicable as of January 29, 2012.

LEGISLATIVE HISTORY OF LAW 18-350. --See note to § 2-571.

LEGISLATIVE HISTORY OF LAW 19-124. --Law 19-124, the "Board of Ethics and Government Accountability Establishment and Comprehensive Ethics Reform Amendment Act of 2011," was introduced in Council and assigned Bill No. 19-511. The Bill was adopted on first and second readings on Dec. 6, 2011, and Dec. 20, 2011, respectively. Signed by the Mayor on Feb. 27, 2012, it was assigned Act No. 19-318 and transmitted to Congress for its review. D.C. Law 19-124 became effective on Apr. 27, 2012.

EDITOR'S NOTES. --Section 601(m) of D.C. Law 19-124 [codified as § 1-1164.01(m)] provided that the act shall apply upon the inclusion of its fiscal effect in an approved budget and financial plan.

For text of section applicable until the inclusion of the fiscal effect of D.C. Law 19-124 in an approved budget and financial plan, see the first version.

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D.C. Code § 2-593 (2012)

§ 2-593. Powers and duties of the Open Government Office

(a) The Open Government Office shall:

- (1) Report annually, on or before February 1, on its activities, including recommendations for changes in the law;
- (2) Issue advisory opinions to public bodies on compliance with subchapter IV of this chapter;
- (3) Provide training to public bodies, officials, and employees related to subchapter IV of this chapter; and
- (4) Issue rules to implement the provisions of this subchapter and subchapter IV of this chapter.

(b) The Open Government Office may bring suit to enforce § 2-579.

(c) The Open Government Office may issue advisory opinions on implementation of subchapter II of this chapter.

HISTORY: Act of Oct. 21, 1968, § 503, as added Mar. 31, 2011, D.C. Law 18-350, § 2, 58 DCR 734.

NOTES: EFFECT OF AMENDMENTS. --The 2011 amendment by D.C. Law 18-350 added this section.

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