## AN AMENDMENT

## <u>#1</u>

## IN THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

Date:

December 6, 2016

Amendment offered by:

Councilmember Cheh

To:

B21-386, Fisheries and Wildlife Omnibus Amendment Act of

<u>2016</u>

Version:

Engrossment

Section 204, pages 6-9, lines 130–179, is amended as follows:

- (a) Subsection (a) is amended by striking the phrase "identify invasive plants and nonindigenous nuisance species" and inserting the phrase "list invasive plants and nonindigenous nuisance species; provided, that the Mayor shall not list the species *Felis catus* as a nonindigenous nuisance species" in its place.
- (b) Subsection (b) is amended by striking the phrase "invasive plant" and inserting the phrase "invasive plant listed pursuant to subsection (a) of this section" in its place.
- (c) Subsection (c) is amended by striking the phrase "nonindigenous nuisance species" and inserting the phrase "an animal belonging to a nonindigenous nuisance species listed pursuant to subsection (a) of this section" in its place.
  - (d) Subsection (d) is amended as follows:
- (1) Paragraph (1) is amended by striking the phrase "invasive plant" and inserting the phrase "invasive plant listed pursuant to subsection (a) of this section" in its place.

- (2) Paragraph (2) is amended by striking the phrase "nonindigenous nuisance species" and inserting the phrase "nonindigenous nuisance species listed pursuant to subsection (a) of this section" in its place.
- (3) Paragraph (3) is amended by striking the phrase "nonindigenous nuisance species" and inserting the phrase "nonindigenous nuisance species listed pursuant to subsection (a) of this section" in its place.
  - (e) Subsections (e) and (f) are repealed.

## Rationale:

This amendment prohibits the Department of Energy and Environment from listing the species *Felis catus* as a nonindigenous nuisance species, makes related technical amendments, and removes sections outlining how the Mayor may eradicate or control invasive plants and nonindigenous nuisance species.