

1     *their responsibilities related to the Coronavirus 2019*  
2     *pandemic.*

3           (5) *ENFORCEMENT.*—*Access rights under this*  
4     *subsection shall be subject to enforcement consistent*  
5     *with section 716 of title 31, United States Code.*

6           (e) *RELATIONSHIP TO EXISTING AUTHORITY.*—*Noth-*  
7     *ing in this section shall be construed to limit, amend, super-*  
8     *sede, or restrict in any manner any existing authority of*  
9     *the Comptroller General.*

10     *NATIONAL EMERGENCY RELIEF AUTHORITY FOR THE*  
11                           *REGISTER OF COPYRIGHTS*

12           *SEC. 19011. (a) AMENDMENT.*—*Chapter 7 of title 17,*  
13     *United States Code, is amended by adding at the end the*  
14     *following:*

15     **“§ 710. Emergency relief authority**

16           “(a) *EMERGENCY ACTION.*—*If, on or before December*  
17     *31, 2021, the Register of Copyrights determines that a na-*  
18     *tional emergency declared by the President under the Na-*  
19     *tional Emergencies Act (50 U.S.C. 1601 et seq.) generally*  
20     *disrupts or suspends the ordinary functioning of the copy-*  
21     *right system under this title, or any component thereof, in-*  
22     *cluding on a regional basis, the Register may, on a tem-*  
23     *porary basis, toll, waive, adjust, or modify any timing pro-*  
24     *vision (including any deadline or effective period, except*  
25     *as provided in subsection (c)) or procedural provision con-*  
26     *tained in this title or chapters II or III of title 37, Code*

1 of Federal Regulations, for no longer than the Register rea-  
2 sonably determines to be appropriate to mitigate the impact  
3 of the disruption caused by the national emergency. In tak-  
4 ing such action, the Register shall consider the scope and  
5 severity of the particular national emergency, and its spe-  
6 cific effect with respect to the particular provision, and  
7 shall tailor any remedy accordingly.

8       “(b) NOTICE AND EFFECT.—Any action taken by the  
9 Register in response to a national emergency pursuant to  
10 subsection (a) shall not be subject to section 701(e) or sub-  
11 chapter II of chapter 5 of title 5, United States Code, and  
12 chapter 7 of title 5, United States Code. The provision of  
13 general public notice detailing the action being taken by  
14 the Register in response to the national emergency under  
15 subsection (a) is sufficient to effectuate such action. The  
16 Register may make such action effective both prospectively  
17 and retroactively in relation to a particular provision as  
18 the Register determines to be appropriate based on the tim-  
19 ing, scope, and nature of the public emergency, but any ac-  
20 tion by the Register may only be retroactive with respect  
21 to a deadline that has not already passed before the declara-  
22 tion described in subsection (a).

23       “(c) STATEMENT REQUIRED.—Except as provided in  
24 subsection (d), not later than 20 days after taking any ac-  
25 tion that results in a provision being modified for a cumu-

