

**Full Council – February 10, 2020**

**Amendment 5 to CB 119726 – Amendment to narrow the no-eviction period.**

**Sponsor:** Councilmember Strauss

**Description:**

[Council Bill 119726](#) would amend the Just Cause Eviction Ordinance (SMC 22.206.160) to provide a defense to evictions between November 1 through March 31. This amendment would narrow the period when a tenant could use this defense to December 1 through March 1, the period where average temperatures in Seattle are coolest.

**Notes:**

- Double underlines indicate new language to be added.
- ~~Double strikethroughs~~ indicate language proposed to be removed.

**Amendment\***

Amend Section 1 of Council Bill 119726 as follows:

8. Except as provided in subsection 22.206.160.C.8.a, an owner may not evict a residential tenant from a rental housing unit if the eviction would result in the tenant having to vacate the housing unit at any time between ~~November 1 and April 1~~ December 1 and March 1; and

a. If the reason for termination is due to conditions described in subsections 22.206.160.C.1.e, 22.206.160.C.1.f provided that the tenant was provided at least 90 days' written notice prior to the date set for vacating the unit, 22.206.160.C.1.j, 22.206.160.C.1.k, 22.206.160.C.1.m, 22.206.160.C.1.n, 22.206.160.C.1.o, or 22.206.160.C.1.p, or if the reason for termination is due to the tenant's failure to comply with a three day notice to vacate for a drug-

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\* Other amendments may impact the numbering or lettering shown in this amendment. All amendments adopted by the City Council will be reconciled in the final version of the Council Bill.

related activity nuisance pursuant to chapter 7.43 RCW or maintenance of an unlawful business or conduct pursuant to RCW 59.12.030(5), the eviction may occur as otherwise allowed by law.