



GOVERNMENT OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA
OFFICE OF POLICY AND LEGISLATIVE AFFAIRS

HEARINGS UPDATE

UPDATED FOR WEEK BEGINNING
June 19, 2017

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UPCOMING COUNCIL HEARINGS

6/19/2017
11 am
Room 120

Committee on Business and Economic Development

Local and Small Business Equity and Development Participating Amendment Act of 2017, Bill 22-23

This bill requires the Department of Housing and Community Development give priority consideration to certain developers regarding contracts that include equity and development participation of local, small, or certified business enterprises. *Introduced by CM McDuffie*

Designated Executive Agency/Agencies

Department of Housing and Community Development

Office of Contracting and Procurement

Office of the Deputy Mayor for Planning and Economic Development

Department of Small and Local Business Development for awareness

Office of the Deputy Mayor for Greater Economic Opportunity for awareness

Omnibus District of Columbia Department of For-Hire Vehicles Amendment Act of 2017, Bill 22-66

This bill establishes salaries for members of the For-Hire Vehicle Advisory Council and transfers certain responsibilities to different offices within the Department of For-Hire Vehicles. It also expands the authority of the Department to authorize funding and incentives to not only owners of Department licensed taxicabs, but to owners and operators of all vehicles-for-hire to purchase electric, fuel efficient, or wheelchair accessible vehicles, and also to serve underserved areas. *Introduced by Chairman Mendelson at the request of the Mayor*

Designated Executive Agency/Agencies

Department of For-Hire Vehicles

Committee on Business and Economic Development
Director of the Alcoholic Beverage Regulation Administration Frederick P. Moosally
Confirmation Resolution of 2017, PR 22-296

Designated Executive Agency/Agencies

Nominee

6/19/2017

6 pm

Cleveland Elementary
School Gymnasium,
1825 8th Street, NW,
Washington, D.C.
20001

New

Committee on Education

Educational and Human Rights Challenges Facing D.C. in the Age of Trump

Designated Executive Agency/Agencies

No Executive Witness Needed

Office of Human Rights for awareness

Office of the State Superintendent of Education for awareness

6/20/2017

10 am

Chamber

Committee of the Whole

Committee of the Whole Regular Meeting

6/21/2017

1 pm

Chamber

Committee on Transportation and the Environment

Bicycle and Pedestrian Safety Technical Amendment Act of 2017, Bill 22-13

This bill clarifies which accident and traffic data the Mayor will report to the Council and when an all-terrain vehicle or dirt bike may occupy public space in the District. The bill also specifies that the presence of workers is unnecessary for a moving violation to double. *Introduced by Chairman Mendelson at the request of the Mayor*

Personal Delivery Device Act of 2017, Bill 22-19

This bill authorizes the use of electronically powered devices for transportation and related services (personal delivery devices) within the District. Use is authorized on sidewalks and crosswalks except within the central business district. The bill also specifies that operators are legally responsible of the operations of a PDD and prohibits certain persons and entities from operating a PDD. The devices must obey all traffic control devices and signs, operate in a safe and non-hazardous manner, yield to pedestrians, and may not unreasonably interfere with pedestrians or traffic. *Introduced by CM Cheh*

Electric Vehicle Public Infrastructures Expansion Act of 2017, Bill 22-96

This bill establishes the Electric Vehicle Charging Station Pilot Program which will place at least 15 publically-available electric vehicle charging stations in the District by January 1, 2019. The bill requires DDOT to transmit a publicly-available report to the Council regarding the results of the program and issuing recommendations based on its findings by July 1, 2019. *Introduced by CM's Cheh, Allen, Todd, Evans, Silverman, R. White, and Chairman Mendelson*

Designated Executive Agency/Agencies

District Department of Transportation

Department of Motor Vehicles for awareness

Metropolitan Police Department for awareness

6/22/2017
10 am
Room 120

New

Committee on Labor and Workforce Development

Office of Employee Appeals Jelani Freeman Confirmation Resolution of 2017, PR 22-313

Designated Executive Agency/Agencies

Nominee

6/22/2017
10:30 am
Room 412

Committee on the Judiciary and Public Safety

Sexual Assault Victims' Rights Amendment Act of 2017, Bill 22-222

This bill expands the right of sexual assault victims to a sexual assault victim advocate and establishes what communications are confidential. It also clarifies the duties of the Sexual Assault Response Team. It also clarifies the rights of victims when being provided with emergency care and creates a new prohibition on the removal of a person's clothing without consent. It also requires that prosecutors provide a reason to a victim on their decision not to prosecute and clarifies the right of a victim to compensation under existing insurance policies. *Introduced by Chairman Mendelson at the request of the Mayor*

Designated Executive Agency/Agencies

Office of Victim Services and Justice Grants

Metropolitan Police Department for awareness

Department of Forensic Science for awareness

Office of the Deputy Mayor for Public Safety and Justice for awareness

Child Neglect and Sex Trafficking Amendment Act of 2017, Bill 22-255

This bill broaden the definition of a neglected child to include a victim of sex trafficking or severe forms of sex trafficking; and to amend section 16-2301 of the District of Columbia Official Code to include sex trafficking or severe forms of sex trafficking as a form of sexual abuse. *Introduced by Chairman Mendelson at the request of the Mayor*

Designated Executive Agency/Agencies

Child and Family Services Agency

Metropolitan Police Department for awareness

Department of Forensic Science for awareness

Office of the Deputy Mayor for Public Safety and Justice for awareness

Victim Services Omnibus Amendment Act of 2017, Bill 22-266

This bill establishes an Address Confidentiality Program administered by the Office of Victim Services and Justice Grants, to establish a Justice Grant and a Violence Fatality Review Board, to establish a maximum amount for reimbursement for funeral and burial expenses for victims of violent crime, and adds a member to the Criminal Justice Coordinating Council. *Introduced by Chairman Mendelson at the request of the Mayor*

Designated Executive Agency/Agencies

Office of Victim Services and Justice Grants

Criminal Justice Coordinating Council for awareness

Mayor's Office of Talent and Appointments for awareness

Office of the Deputy Mayor for Public Safety and Justice for awareness

Metropolitan Police Department for awareness

6/22/2017
11 am
Chamber

Committee on Housing and Neighborhood Revitalization

Preservation of Affordable Rent Control Housing Amendment Act of 2017, Bill 22-100

This bill prohibit agreements between a tenant and a housing provider that inequitably treats current and future tenants. Bill 22-100 would bar agreements that would result in other current or future tenants paying a rent adjustment, rent surcharge, or change in related services and facilities that would be greater than the amount paid by the tenant or members of the tenant association entering the agreement. The goal of the legislation is to prevent affordable rent control housing from permanently becoming market rate housing. *Introduced by CM's Bonds, R. White, Silverman, Cheh, and T. White*

Designated Executive Agency/Agencies

Department of Housing and Community Development

6/26/2017
10 am
Room 120

Committee on the Judiciary and Public Safety

The District's Crime Prevention Strategies For Summer 2017

Designated Executive Agency/Agencies

Office of the Deputy Mayor for Public Safety and Justice

Mayor's Office of Community Relations and Services for awareness

6/27/2017
10 am
Chamber

Committee of the Whole

Legislative Meeting

6/28/2017
10 am
Room 123

Committee on Business and Economic Development

Jackson School Lease Renewal Authorization Act of 2017, Bill 22-148

This bill authorizes the Mayor to renew the lease between the District and the Jackson Arts Center, for the real property located at 3050 R Street, N.W., known as the Jackson School Building for a term of up to 20 years. *Introduced by CM Evans*

Designated Executive Agency/Agencies

Department of General Services

Deputy Mayor for Education for awareness

Capitol Riverfront Business Improvement District Amendment Act of 2017, Bill 22-279

This bill revises and increases the rates of the assessments in the Capitol Riverfront Business Improvement District. *Introduced by CM Allen*

Designated Executive Agency/Agencies

Office of Tax and Revenue

Office of the Deputy Mayor for Planning and Economic Development for awareness

6/28/2017
11 am
Chamber

Committee on Housing and Neighborhood Revitalization

Rental Housing Affordability Stabilization Amendment Act of 2017, Bill 22-25

This bill preserve rent control housing affordability by limiting annual rent increases to the Consumer Price Index, and also by limiting vacancy increases to 5% of the rent charged. *Introduced by CM's Bonds, Cheh, and Silverman*

Preservation of Affordable Rent Control Housing Amendment Act of 2017, Bill 22-100

This bill prohibits the formation of certain agreements between a tenant or a tenant association and a housing provider. Agreements may not be made that would result in subjecting other current or future tenants to a rent adjustment, rent surcharge, or change in related services and facilities unless those changes would also apply to the tenant or members of the tenant association entering the agreement.

Designated Executive Agency/Agencies

Department of Housing and Community Development

6/29/2017
9:30 am
Chamber

Committee on the Judiciary and Public Safety

Fair Elections Act of 2017, Bill 22-192

This bill provides for publicly funded political campaigns. It establishes a Fair Elections Program within the Office of Campaign Finance. It requires that the Office establish procedures for auditing and verification of qualified contributions. Among other things, it requires an evaluation of the effect of this act on election campaigns in the District and submit a report to the Mayor and Council at a minimum of two months after the act is implemented and after every election excluding special elections. It also requires that the Office of Campaign Finance, with approval from the District of Columbia Board of Elections, must adjust the number and amount of qualifying small-dollar contributions a candidate must receive to qualify as a participating candidate. *Introduced by CM's Grosso, Cheh, Silverman, Allen, R. White, Nadeau, McDuffie, T. White, and Chairman Mendelson*

Designated Executive Agency/Agencies

Office of Campaign Finance

Board of Elections for awareness

District of Columbia Board of Ethics and Government Accountability for awareness

6/30/2017
10 am
Room 412

New

Committee on Education

Board of Library Trustees C. Brian Williams Confirmation Resolution of 2017, PR 22-323

Designated Executive Agency/Agencies

Nominee

7/6/2017
1 pm
Chamber

New

Committee on Government Operations

Commission on African American History and Culture Establishment Act of 2017, Bill 22-109

This bill establishes a Commission on African American History and Culture in the Mayor's Office on African American Affairs (Commission). Among other things, the Commission's duties are as follows: educate District residents and visitors on the significance of the African American experience in the District, cooperate with the Office of the State Superintendent of Education to develop materials that support the teaching of African American history in District public and charter schools, and provide grants that provide for African American historic preservation and public programming projects in the District. *Introduced by CM's Todd, R. White, T. White, Bonds, Nadeau, Silverman, and Evans*

Designated Executive Agency/Agencies

Office on African American Affairs

Office of the State Superintendent of Education for awareness
Deputy Mayor for Greater Economic Opportunity for awareness
Deputy Chief of Staff for awareness

New

Office of African American Affairs Establishment Act of 2017, Bill 22-318

This bill establishes an Office on African American Affairs within District government to address the needs of the District's African American community. *Introduced by CM's Todd, R. White, Bonds, McDuffie, Cheh, Gray, T. White, Grosso, Nadeau, Allen, Evans, and Chairman Mendelson*

Designated Executive Agency/Agencies

Office on African American Affairs

Deputy Mayor for Greater Economic Opportunity for awareness
Deputy Chief of Staff for awareness

New

The Grant Administration Amendment Act of 2017, Bill 22-165

This bill makes it unlawful for a grantor to require a person applying for a grant to disclose whether the applicant or the applicant's agents have been charged, indicted, or convicted of an offense, or is the subject of legal proceedings related to the applicant's organization. *Introduced by CM's Evans, Bonds, R. White, McDuffie, and Silverman*

Designated Executive Agency/Agencies

Office of Partnership and Grants

Mayors Office of the General Counsel for awareness
Executive Office of the Mayor for awareness

7/10/2017
1 pm
Rom 412

New

Committee on Government Operations

Wi-Fi Task Force Act of 2017, Bill 22-63

This bill establishes a wireless network task force to provide policy recommendations on how the District can efficiently provide free wireless internet access throughout the District and construct and operate a municipal wireless network. *Introduced by CM's Todd, Evans, Silverman, Bonds, R. White, and Nadeau*

Designated Executive Agency/Agencies

Office of the Chief Technology Officer

New

Digital Literacy Council Establishment Act of 2017, Bill 22-160

This bill establishes a Digital Literacy Council to advise the Mayor and Council on how to improve the digital literacy of the residents of the District. The Mayor and the Office of the State Superintendent are required to submit to the Council a digital literacy education development strategic plan for public schools and workforce development programs developed by the Digital Literacy Council (DLC). It establishes the number of positions and the makeup of the DLC. Among other things it establishes a non-lapsing Digital Literacy Council Fund to be administered by the Office of the Chief Technology Officer. *Introduced by CM Todd*

Designated Executive Agency/Agencies

Office of the Chief Technology Officer

DC Public Schools

Office of the State Superintendent of Education

Office of the Deputy Mayor for Education for awareness

Mayor's Office of Talent and Appointments for awareness

7/10/2017
9:30 am
Chamber

Committee on the Judiciary and Public Safety

Campaign Finance Transparency and Accountability Amendment Act of 2017, Bill 22-8

This bill precludes candidates, elected officials, affiliated committees, and their agents from encouraging donations to an independent expenditure committee or a PAC. It also requires PACs and independent expenditure committees to certify that they have not received any donations that are coordinated with any candidate, official, political committee, or political party. Among other things, it requires that any expenditure coordinated with a candidate, campaign, or agent be treated as a contribution and it also applies restrictions on contributions to PACs on non-election years. *Introduced by Chairman Mendelson at the request of the Attorney General*

Designated Executive Agency/Agencies

Office of the Attorney General

Office of Campaign Finance

District of Columbia Board of Ethics and Government Accountability for awareness

Mayor's Office of Talent and Appointments for awareness

Clean Elections Amendment Act of 2017, Bill 22-32

This bill identifies under which circumstances an expenditure made by a person controlled by or coordinated with a candidate, officeholder or political committee is considered a contribution to that candidate, officeholder or political committee.

Introduced by CM's Silverman, Allen, Grosso, Cheh, and Nadeau

Comprehensive Campaign Finance Reform Amendment Act of 2017, Bill 22-51

This bill establishes restrictions on the practice of bundled contributions. It establishes disclosure requirements for certain contractors, their agents and relatives; prohibits contractual agreements with certain contractors that seek or hold contracts with a cumulative value of \$250,000 or more who have solicited or made a political contribution to certain prohibited recipients within certain time frames identified in the legislation. Among other things, it establishes disclosure requirements and also gives covered contractors an opportunity to cure violations prior to the commencement of an enforcement action. *Introduced by CM's Gray and T. White*

Campaign Finance Reform Amendment Act of 2017, Bill 22-107

This bill requires campaign committees and candidates to obtain consent prior to using an individual's likeness, who is not a candidate for office, in campaign literature, advertisements, websites, or social media. It also requires campaign committees to retire all debts within 6 months after an election. *Introduced by CM's Allen, Grosso, and Bonds*

Designated Executive Agency/Agencies

Office of Campaign Finance

District of Columbia Board of Ethics and Government Accountability for awareness

7/11/2017
9:30 am
Chamber

Committee of the Whole

Committee of the Whole and Legislative Meeting following

7/12/2017
9:30 am
Room 412

Committee on the Judiciary and Public Safety

Access to Justice for Immigrants Amendment Act of 2017, Bill 22-80

This bill requires the Office of the Deputy Mayor for Public Safety and Justice to establish an Access to Justice Initiative Program to provide support to nonprofit organizations that deliver civil legal services to low income and underserved District residents as well as support to those that deliver civil immigration legal services to the District's documented and undocumented immigrant residents. It also provides loan repayment assistance to lawyers working in eligible employment. *Introduced by CM's Nadeau, R. White, and Grosso*

Designated Executive Agency/Agencies

Office of the Deputy Mayor for Public Safety and Justice

Mayor's Office on Asian and Pacific Islander Affairs for awareness

Mayor's Office of Community Relations and Services for awareness

Street Harassment Prevention Act of 2017, Bill 22-129

This bill establishes an Advisory Committee on Street Harassment (ACSH) composed of 15 members including 7 community representatives. Within 6 months of the effective date of this act, the Office on Human Rights with the advice of ACSH, shall develop and publish online written guidelines and procedures to educate District employees on street harassment. It also requires that District agencies ensure that all employees who interface with the public shall be trained on identifying and addressing street harassment. *Introduced by CM's Grosso, Silverman, R. White, T. White, Evans, and Allen*

Designated Executive Agency/Agencies

Office of Human Rights

Office of the Deputy Mayor for Public Safety and Justice for awareness

Metropolitan Police Department for awareness

Alcoholic Beverage Regulations Administration for awareness

Mayor's Office of Talent and Appointments for awareness

7/13/2017
10 am
Chamber

Committee on Housing and Neighborhood Revitalization

TOPA Accessory Dwelling Unit Amendment Act of 2017

This bill exempt owner-occupied, single-family homes with accessory dwelling units from TOP A, under the following very narrow circumstances: 1. there must be two dwelling units in the housing accommodation; 2. one dwelling unit must contain at least 2/3 of the total square footage of the housing accommodation; 3. the larger dwelling unit must be occupied by the owner; 4. the smaller dwelling unit must be a basement, carriage house, converted garage, or similar such dwelling unit; 5. the accessory dwelling unit must have all required building and occupancy permits; and 6. the housing accommodation must be identified at the District of Columbia Office of the Recorder of Deeds with a single square, suffix, and lot. *Introduced by CM's Bonds, Gray, McDuffie, Todd, Evans, Grosso, and Chairman Mendelson*

Designated Executive Agency/Agencies

Department of Housing and Community Development

7/14/2017
11 am
Chamber

Committee on Transportation and the Environment

District of Columbia Green Finance Authority Act of 2017, Bill 22-257

This bill would establish a Green Bank in the District for governments to meet their climate and sustainability goals and maximize limited public funding by leveraging private investment. *Introduced by Chairman Mendelson at the request of the Mayor*

Sense of the Council Reaffirming the District's Commitment to Climate Change Action Resolution of 2017, PR 22-261

This sense of the council proposal seeks to combat climate change and its effects on District residents. *Introduced by CM's Cheh, Bonds, Silverman, Gray, R. White, Grosso, Todd, Allen, Evans, and Chairman Mendelson*

Designated Executive Agency/Agencies

Department of Energy and Environment