



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

HEARINGS UPDATE

UPDATED FOR WEEK BEGINNING
May 1, 2017

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UPCOMING COUNCIL HEARINGS

5/2/2017
10 am
Chamber

Committee of the Whole
Additional Committee of the Whole and Legislative Meeting following

5/3/2017
11 am
Room 123

Committee on Transportation and the Environment
The District Department of Transportation's Streetlight Modernization Project

Designated Executive Agency/Agencies
District Department of Transportation
Office of Public-Private Partnerships

5/5/2017
11 am
Chamber

New
Committee on Health
Medical Marijuana Consultations and Patient Referrals Rulemaking Approval Resolution of 2017, PR 22-233

This proposed resolution clarifies that a referral or a request for a consultation from a qualifying patient's primary care provider or specialist is within the permissible scope of a bona fide physician-patient relationship for purposes of complying with the Act and the regulations implementing the Act for the purposes of determining whether the patient may benefit from the use of medical marijuana. It further defines prohibited conduct, and establishes a definition for "expediter." *Introduced by Chairman Mendelson at the request of the Mayor*

Designated Executive Agency/Agencies
Department of Health

5/8/2017
1 pm
Chamber

Committee on Business and Economic Development

Georgia Avenue Retail Priority Area Amendment Act of 2017, Bill 22-1

This bill will expand the boundaries of the Ward 4 Georgia Avenue Retail Priority Area.
Introduced by CM Nadeau

H Street, N.E., Retail Priority Area Clarification Amendment Act of 2017, Bill 22-115

This bill clarifies the location of businesses eligible to receive retail development project grants within the H Street, N.E., Retail Priority Area. It also modifies the boundaries of the Bladensburg Road, N.E., Retail Priority Area. *Introduced by CM's Gray and McDuffie*

DC Main Streets Public Space Permit Fee Waiver Amendment Act of 2017, Bill 22-236

This bill will waive public space fees for active and accredited DC Main Street programs.
Introduced by CM's McDuffie, Gray, Evans, Bonds, and Allen

Designated Executive Agency/Agencies

Office of the Deputy Mayor for Planning and Economic Development

5/8/2017
10 am
Room 120

Committee on Finance and Revenue

First Responder Income Tax Exclusion Amendment Act of 2017, Bill 22-42

This bill excludes from the gross income, the amount received as annual salary of those employed with the Fraternal Order of Police Metropolitan Police Department Labor Committee and of those employed with the International Association of Fire Fighters, Washington D.C. Fire Fighters Association Local 36. *Introduced by CM's Gray, McDuffie, and Evans*

East End Commercial Real Property Tax Rate Reduction Amendment Act of 2017, Bill 22-43

This bill lowers the real property tax rates and special real property tax rates for taxable Class 2 Properties located East of the Anacostia River beginning October 1, 2017.
Introduced by CM's Gray, McDuffie, Evans, and T. White

East End Grocery and Retail Incentive Program Tax Abatement Act of 2017, Bill 22-202

This bill waives deed recordation, real property, personal property, corporate franchise (including combined reporting) and sales taxes for eligible sites in Ward 7 and 8.
Introduced by CM's Gray, Evans, T. White, and Bonds

Relieve High Unemployment Tax Incentives Act of 2017, Bill 22-218

This bill will provide for real and personal property tax abatement, tax credits and other incentives for the purposes of attracting new and retaining existing businesses to help relieve high unemployment in Wards and/or areas in the District. *Introduced by CM Evans*

Designated Executive Agency/Agencies

Office of the Chief Financial Officer/Office of Tax and Revenue

Office of the Deputy Mayor for Planning and Economic Development

Metropolitan Police Department for awareness

Fire and EMS Department for awareness

Deputy Mayor for Greater Economic Opportunity for awareness

5/8/2017
2:30 pm
Room 412

Committee of the Whole

St. Mary's Way Designation Act of 2017, Bill 22-150

This bill designates the public alleyway on the south side of St. Mary's church at 728 23rd Street, N.W., as St. Mary's Way. The alleyway to be designated is in Ward 2. *Introduced by CM's Evans and Todd*

Designated Executive Agency/Agencies

District Department of Transportation

5/16/2017
10 am
Chamber

Committee of the Whole

COW Meeting

5/19/2017
1 pm
Chamber

New

Committee on Health

Health Care Revolving Fund Act of 2017, Bill 22-176

The legislation establishes the Revolving Capital Fund within the Department of Health Care Finance, from which funds shall be utilized for the purpose of making loans to qualifying borrowers to improve access to capital financing to expand and improve capacity to provide health care in medically underserved areas in the District of Columbia as designated by the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services. *Introduced by Bonds, Todd, R. White, T. White, Cheh, Evans, McDuffie, and Allen*

New

Department of Health Care Finance D.C. HealthCare Alliance Amendment Act of 2017, Bill 22-231

Department of Health Care Finance D.C. HealthCare Alliance Amendment Act of 2017" amends Section 8 of the Department of Health Care Finance Establishment Act of 2007 to explore the feasibility of bringing D.C. HealthCare Alliance coverage into the D.C. Health Benefit Exchange Authority's D.C. Health Link and to make the D.C HealthCare Alliance eligibility procedures more closely align with Medicaid enrollment. *Introduced by CM Gray*

Designated Executive Agency/Agencies

Department of Health Care Finance

Department of Human Services for awareness

Deputy Mayor for Health and Human Services for awareness

New

School Health Innovations Grant Act of 2017, Bill 22-232

This bill establishes the School Health Innovations Grant program requiring the Department of Behavioral Health to award grants to clinic operators in District of Columbia Public schools and District of Columbia Public Charter schools in school years 2018-2019 and 2019-2020. *Introduced by Gray, Nadeau, R. White, Grosso, Cheh, and McDuffie*

Designated Executive Agency/Agencies

Department of Behavioral Health

DC Public Schools for awareness

DC Public Charter School for awareness

Deputy Mayor for Health and Human Services for awareness

5/19/2017
11 am
Chamber

New

Committee of the Whole, Committee on Business and Economic Development and Committee on Health

East End Health Care Desert, Retail Desert, and Food Desert Elimination Act of 2017, Bill 22-207

This bill requires the Department of Health Care Finance to establish a new capital project, the East End Medical Center (to be constructed on the Saint Elizabeths East Campus), and provides for its funding, operation, and maintenance. The bill also establishes a special fund, the East End Medical Center Fund and program, the East End Grocery and Retail Incentive Program. The fund shall be administered by the Department of Health Care Finance. *Introduced by CM's Gray, Todd, T. White, Bonds, and Evans*

Designated Executive Agency/Agencies

Department of Health Care Finance

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