

**Council of the District of Columbia  
COMMITTEE ON HUMAN SERVICES  
NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING & OVERSIGHT ROUNDTABLE  
1350 Pennsylvania Avenue, N.W., Washington, D.C. 20004**

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**COUNCILMEMBER BRIANNE K. NADEAU, CHAIRPERSON  
COMMITTEE ON HUMAN SERVICES**

**ANNOUNCES A PUBLIC HEARING & OVERSIGHT ROUNDTABLE ON**

**B22-0635, THE “HOMELESS SHELTER REPLACEMENT AMENDMENT ACT OF  
2017”**

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**THE CLOSURE OF THE DC GENERAL FAMILY SHELTER**

**Wednesday, March 14, 2018, 10:00 a.m.  
Room 412, John A. Wilson Building  
1350 Pennsylvania Avenue, N.W.  
Washington, D.C. 20004**

On Wednesday, March 14, 2018, Councilmember Brianne K. Nadeau, Chairperson of the Committee on Human Services, will hold a public hearing on B22-0635, the “Homeless Shelter Replacement Amendment Act of 2017” as well as a public oversight roundtable on the plan to close the DC General Family Shelter. The hearing and roundtable will take place in Room 412, of the John A. Wilson Building, 1350 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW, at 10:00 a.m.

In February 2016, the Mayor announced a plan to close the DC General Family Shelter and replace it with smaller family programs in neighborhoods in all eight wards. This replacement plan is underway and three of the new family programs are slated to open later this year. The DC General shelter is slated to completely close before the end of 2018. With this, beginning in April, several empty buildings on the campus, that are not used to provide shelter, will be torn down. This roundtable will provide an opportunity to discuss the safety and security of the families during this deconstruction period. Additionally, it will provide the Department of Human Services a platform to share the precautionary measures being taken to ensure there are no health or safety risks presented.

B22-0635, the “Homeless Shelter Replacement Amendment Act of 2017”, revises the location of the District’s Ward 1 Short-Term Family Housing program to 2500 14<sup>th</sup> Street, NW. Further, the legislation adds units to the shelter and adds housing for seniors.

The Committee invites the public to testify or to submit written testimony. Anyone wishing to testify at the hearing should contact the Committee via email at [humanservices@dccouncil.us](mailto:humanservices@dccouncil.us) or at (202) 724-8170, and provide their name, telephone number, organizational affiliation, and title (if any), by **close of business Monday, March 12, 2018**. Representatives of organizations will be allowed a maximum of five minutes for oral testimony, and individuals will be allowed a maximum of three minutes. Witnesses are encouraged to bring **twenty single-sided copies** of their written testimony.

For witnesses who are unable to testify, written statements will be made part of the official record. Copies of written statements should be submitted either to the Committee at [humanservices@dccouncil.us](mailto:humanservices@dccouncil.us) or to Nyasha Smith, Secretary to the Council, 1350 Pennsylvania Avenue, N.W., Suite 5, Washington, D.C. 20004. **The record will close at the end of the business day on March 28, 2018.**