## Council of the District of Columbia COMMITTEE ON THE JUDICIARY & PUBLIC SAFETY NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

1350 Pennsylvania Avenue, N.W., Washington, D.C. 20004

## COUNCILMEMBER CHARLES ALLEN, CHAIRPERSON COMMITTEE ON THE JUDICIARY & PUBLIC SAFETY

## ANNOUNCES A PUBLIC HEARING ON

BILL 22-0780, THE "INTRAFAMILY OFFENSES AND ANTI-STALKING ORDERS AMENDMENT ACT OF 2018"

PROPOSED RESOLUTION 22-0838, THE "DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA BOARD OF ELECTIONS MICHAEL BENNETT CONFIRMATION RESOLUTION OF 2018"

Thursday, June 21, 2018, 9:30 a.m. Room 123, John A. Wilson Building 1350 Pennsylvania Avenue, N.W. Washington, D.C. 20004

On Thursday, June 21, 2018, Councilmember Charles Allen, Chairperson of the Committee on the Judiciary and Public Safety, will hold a public hearing on Bill 22-0780, the "Intrafamily Offenses and Anti-Stalking Orders Amendment Act of 2018", and Proposed Resolution 22-0838, the "District of Columbia Board of Elections Michael Bennett Confirmation Resolution of 2018". The hearing will take place in Room 123 of the John A. Wilson Building, 1350 Pennsylvania Avenue, N.W., at 9:30 a.m.

The stated purpose of Bill 22-0780, the "Intrafamily Offenses and Anti-Stalking Orders Amendment Act of 2018", is to amend Title 16 of the District of Columbia Official Code to make civil protection orders only available to intimate partners, household members, family members, and victims of sexual assault and abuse or sex trafficking; make the inclusion of animal abuse consistent; expand the ability of minors ages 12 to 16 to file civil protection orders; allow the court to extend temporary protection orders in increments up to 28 days for good cause or for a longer period with the consent of the parties; clarify the relief available for firearms and animal protections; modify the duration of civil protection orders; establish a dedicated unit in the Metropolitan Police Department to serve process in civil protection order cases; and create new anti-stalking orders.

The stated purpose of Proposed Resolution 22-0838 is to reappoint Michael Bennett as the Chair of the Board of Elections for a term to end July 7, 2021.

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 <a href="mailto:judiciary@dccouncil.us">judiciary@dccouncil.us</a> or at (202) 724-7808, and provide their name, telephone number, organizational affiliation, and title (if any), by <a href="mailto:close of business Monday">close of business Monday</a>, <a href="mailto:June 18">June 18</a>. 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 should bring <a href="mailto:twenty double-sided copies">twenty double-sided copies</a> of their written testimony and, if possible, also submit a copy of their testimony electronically in advance to judiciary@dccouncil.us.

For witnesses who are unable to testify at the hearing, written statements will be made part of the official record. Copies of written statements should be submitted to the Committee at judiciary@dccouncil.us. The record will close at the end of the business day on July 6.