

**Council of the District of Columbia
COMMITTEE ON BUSINESS AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT
NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING
1350 Pennsylvania Avenue, N.W., Washington, D.C. 20004**

**COUNCILMEMBER KENYAN R. MCDUFFIE, CHAIRPERSON
COMMITTEE ON BUSINESS AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT**

ANNOUNCE A PUBLIC HEARING ON

**B23-0075 – THE “MYPHEDUH FILMS DBA SANKOFA VIDEO AND BOOKS REAL
PROPERTY TAX EXEMPTION ACT OF 2019”; AND**

**B23-0086 – THE “SUPERMARKET TAX INCENTIVES ELIGIBLE AREA AMENDMENT
ACT OF 2019”**

**B23-0131—THE “WARD 7 AND WARD 8 RESTAURANT INCENTIVE PROGRAM
ESTABLISHMENT ACT OF 2019”**

**Wednesday, May 15, 2018, 10:00 a.m.
Room 120, John A. Wilson Building
1350 Pennsylvania Avenue, N.W.
Washington, D.C. 20004**

On Wednesday, May 15, 2019, Councilmember Kenyan R. McDuffie, Chairperson of the Committee on Business and Economic Development will hold a public hearing to consider Bill 23-0075, the “Mypheduh Films DBA Sankofa Video and Books Real Property Tax Exemption Act of 2019,” Bill 23-0086, the “Supermarket Tax Incentives Eligible Area Amendment Act of 2019”, and Bill 23-0131, the “Ward 7 and Ward 8 Restaurant Incentive Program Establishment Act of 2019”

The stated purpose of Bill 23-0075 is to amend Chapter 46 of Title 47 of the District of Columbia Official Code to exempt from taxation Lot 884, Square 2885, located at 2714 Georgia Avenue, N.W., and to provide equitable relief. The stated purpose of B23-0086 is to amend Chapters 38 and 46 of Title 47 of the District of Columbia Official Code. The amendment in Chapter 38 will expand the definition of the term “eligible area” to include a new census tract, and the amendment for Chapter 46 would exempt from taxation Deanwood Town Center because of the construction of certain eligible tax-exempt businesses in the town center. The stated purpose of Bill 23-0131 is to establish the Ward 7 and Ward 8 Restaurant Incentive Program within the Department of Small and Local Business Development to provide funding, business development assistance, incubation services, and technical assistance to those seeking to open a new restaurant or food establishment in Ward 7 or Ward 8.

The Committees invite the public to testify or to submit written testimony. Anyone wishing to testify at the hearing should contact the Committee on Business and Economic Development via email at cautrey@dccouncil.us or at (202) 724-8053, and provide their name, telephone number, organizational affiliation, and title (if any), by **close of business Monday, May 13th**. 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 **ten single-sided copies** of their written testimony and, if possible, also submit a copy of their testimony electronically in advance to cautrey@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 on Business and Economic Development at cautrey@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 Wednesday, May 29th**.