

**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 23-0453, THE “FLAVORED ELECTRONIC SMOKING DEVICE PROHIBITION
AMENDMENT ACT OF 2019”**

**BILL 23-0454, THE “PROHIBITION OF ELECTRONIC SMOKING SALES WITHOUT A
PRESCRIPTION ACT OF 2019”**

AND

**BILL 23-0472, THE “ELECTRONIC SMOKING DEVICE SALES RESTRICTION
AMENDMENT ACT OF 2019”**

**Thursday, January 2, 2020, 9:30 a.m.
Room 412, John A. Wilson Building
1350 Pennsylvania Avenue, N.W.
Washington, D.C. 20004**

On Thursday, January 2, 2020, Councilmember Charles Allen, Chairperson of the Committee on the Judiciary and Public Safety, will convene a public hearing to consider Bill 23-0453, the “Flavored Electronic Smoking Device Prohibition Amendment Act of 2019”; Bill 23-0454, the “Prohibition of Electronic Smoking Sales Without a Prescription Act of 2019”; and Bill 23-0472, the “Electronic Smoking Device Sales Restriction Amendment Act of 2019”. The hearing will take place in Room 412 of the John A. Wilson Building, 1350 Pennsylvania Avenue, N.W., at 9:30 a.m.

The stated purpose of Bill 23-0453, the “Flavored Electronic Smoking Device Prohibition Amendment Act of 2019”, is to amend An act to prohibit the sale of tobacco to minors under sixteen years of age in the District of Columbia to prohibit the sale or distribution of a flavored electronic smoking device.

The stated purpose of Bill 23-0454, the “Prohibition of Electronic Smoking Sales Without a Prescription Act of 2019”, is to prohibit the sale of any electronic smoking device or liquids used

in electronic smoking devices, unless the sale occurs at a licensed pharmacy to a person who has a prescription.

The stated purpose of Bill 23-0472, the “Electronic Smoking Device Sales Restriction Amendment Act of 2019”, is to amend An act to prohibit the sale of tobacco to minors under sixteen years of age in the District of Columbia to prohibit the sale or distribution of an electronic smoking device within a quarter mile of a middle or high school.

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 judiciary@dccouncil.us and provide their name, telephone number, organizational affiliation, and title (if any), by **close of business Monday, December 23**. 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 **twenty copies** of their written testimony and, if possible, also submit a copy of their testimony electronically in advance to judiciary@dccouncil.us.

Witnesses who anticipate needing language interpretation, or require sign language interpretation, are requested to inform the Committee of the need as soon as possible, but no later than five business days before the hearing. The Committee will make every effort to fulfill timely requests; however, requests received in fewer than five business days may not be fulfilled, and alternatives may be offered.

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 Thursday, January 16.**