

**COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA  
COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE  
NOTICE OF A PUBLIC HEARING**

1350 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW, Washington, DC 20004

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**CHAIRMAN PHIL MENDELSON  
COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE  
ANNOUNCES A PUBLIC HEARING**

on

**Bill 23-361, Equal Access to Changing Tables Amendment Act of 2019  
Bill 23-394, Tenant and Homeowner Accountability and Protection Amendment Act of 2019  
Bill 23-456, Abatement and Condemnation of Nuisance Properties Amendment Act of 2019  
Bill 23-499, Housing Provider Repeated Violation Enhancement Amendment Act of 2019**

on

**Tuesday, January 28, 2020, 11:30 a.m.  
Room 412, John A. Wilson Building  
1350 Pennsylvania Avenue, N.W.  
Washington, DC 20004**

Council Chairman Phil Mendelson announces a public hearing of the Committee of the on **Bill 23-361**, the "Equal Access to Changing Tables Amendment Act of 2019," **Bill 23-394**, the "Tenant and Homeowner Accountability and Protection Amendment Act of 2019," **Bill 23-456**, the "Abatement and Condemnation of Nuisance Properties Amendment Act of 2019," and **Bill 23-499**, the "Housing Provider Repeated Violation Enhancement Amendment Act of 2019." The hearing will be on **Tuesday, January 28, 2020 at 11:30 a.m. in Room 412** of the John A. Wilson Building.

The purpose of **Bill 23-361** is to require diaper changing accommodations for both sexes in public establishments and newly constructed or substantially renovated business establishments that include at least one toilet facility that is open to the public. The purpose of **Bill 23-394** is to require construction contractors to provide proof of financial responsibility and construction cost estimates, to require reporting of lapsed insurance of contractors by the insurer, to require housing providers to furnish documentation of a Basic Business License when filing an action for possession or attempting to raise rent, to establish an expiration date for permits, to establish rat abatement protocols for demolition permits, to require those doing construction or condo conversion to post bond or a letter of credit in the amount of 10% of the estimated cost, to establish additional certification requirements for housing code inspectors, and to establish a Construction Commission appointed by the Mayor to set standards for the licensing of contractors. The purpose of **Bill 23-456** is to authorize the Office of Attorney General to issue subpoenas for documents and testimony as part of a receivership investigation, to authorize the Court to order anyone in control of the property to contribute funds in excess of rents to abate violations, to provider relocation of displaced tenants and upkeep and debts of a building while in receivership, and to establish when receivership can be terminated. The purpose of **Bill 23-499** is to add circumstances when a receiver may be appointed to include repeated violations by property owners of residential tenant housing that occur three times within an 18-month period.

Those who wish to testify are asked to email the Committee of the Whole at [cow@dcccouncil.us](mailto:cow@dcccouncil.us), or to call Blaine Stum, Legislative Policy Advisor, at (202) 724-8092, and to provide your name, address, telephone number, organizational affiliation, and title (if any) by the close of business **Friday, January 24, 2020**. Witnesses who anticipate needing spoken language interpretation, or require sign language interpretation, are requested to inform the Committee office of the need as soon as possible but no later than five (5) business days before the proceeding. We will make every effort to fulfill timely requests, however requests received in less than five (5) business days may not be fulfilled and alternatives may be offered.