

**COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA  
COMMITTEE ON HOUSING AND EXECUTIVE ADMINISTRATION  
NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING  
1350 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW, Washington, DC 20004**

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**COUNCILMEMBER ANITA BONDS, CHAIRPERSON  
COMMITTEE ON HOUSING AND EXECUTIVE ADMINISTRATION**

**ANNOUNCES A PUBLIC HEARING**

on the matter of

**B24-96 – Eviction Record Sealing Authority Amendment Act of 2021**

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**B24-106 – Fair Tenant Screening Act of 2021**

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Thursday, May 20, 2021, at 12:00 PM  
Via Zoom

On Thursday May 20, 2021, Councilmember Anita Bonds will hold a public hearing to discuss B24-96, the “Eviction Record Sealing Authority Amendment Act of 2021” and B24-106, the “Fair Tenant Screening Act of 2021.”

B24-96, the “Eviction Record Sealing Authority Amendment Act of 2021” would provide the Superior Court of the District of Columbia with the ability to seal eviction records in certain circumstances. Specifically, the legislation would require that the Court seal eviction records where the Court did not find for the landlord or the landlord withdrew their claim. Among other things, the bill would require that the Court seal all other eviction records after three years and authorizes the Court to seal certain eviction records upon motion by the defendant.

B24-106, the “Fair Tenant Screening Act of 2021” would prohibit housing providers from inquiring into the source of income and credit history of a prospective tenant. This bill would also require housing providers to notify prospective tenants of specific information before collecting any application fee and strengthens penalties.

Persons who wish to testify are requested to either email the Committee at [housing@dccouncil.us](mailto:housing@dccouncil.us) or telephone the Committee at (202) 724-8198, at least two business days before the hearing and provide their name, address, telephone number, email address, organizational affiliation and title, if any. Each witness will receive an individual Zoom invitation for the hearing in a separate e-mail. Witnesses are encouraged to submit an electronic version of their testimony to [housing@dccouncil.us](mailto:housing@dccouncil.us). Oral testimony will be limited to 5 minutes for those testifying on behalf of an organization and 3 minutes for those testifying on behalf of themselves.

All Councilmembers will receive an individual Zoom invitation for the hearing in a separate email. If a Councilmember does not have a separate link, please contact Sam Stephens at [sstephens@dccouncil.us](mailto:sstephens@dccouncil.us).

The hearing can be viewed on Cable Channel 13 (DCCTV). at [www.dccouncil.us](http://www.dccouncil.us) and [www.entertainment.dc.gov](http://www.entertainment.dc.gov), and on the Committee on Housing and Executive Administration YouTube([www.youtube.com/channel/UCgy5EojaMYGtwicWSfg9NeA](https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCgy5EojaMYGtwicWSfg9NeA)) .

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

If someone is unable to testify at the public hearing, written statements are encouraged and will be made a part of the official record. Written statements should be submitted to the Committee on Housing and Executive Administration, John A. Wilson Building, 1350 Pennsylvania Avenue, N.W., Suite G6, Washington, D.C. 20004 or by email at [housing@dccouncil.us](mailto:housing@dccouncil.us). The record will close at 5:00 p.m. on June 3, 2021.