

COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA  
**COMMITTEE ON TRANSPORTATION & THE ENVIRONMENT**  
MARY M. CHEH, CHAIR

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**NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING ON**

**B24-565 - Safe Routes to School Expansion Regulation Amendment Act of 2021**  
**and**  
**B24-566 - Walk Without Worry Amendment Act of 2021**

Monday, March 14, 2022, at 12:00 PM

**Councilmember Cheh's Facebook Page** ([facebook.com/cmmarycheh](https://www.facebook.com/cmmarycheh))  
**DC Council Website** (<https://dccouncil.us/>)  
**Council Channel 13** (Cable Television Providers)  
**Office of Cable Television Website** ([entertainment.dc.gov](http://entertainment.dc.gov))

On Monday, March 14, 2022, Councilmember Mary M. Cheh, Chairperson of the Committee on Transportation and the Environment, will hold a hearing on Bill 24-565 - Safe Routes to School Expansion Regulation Amendment Act of 2021 and Bill 224-566 - Walk Without Worry Amendment Act of 2021. The hearing will begin at 12:00 PM and be broadcast live on DC Council Channel 13 and streamed live at [www.dccouncil.us](http://www.dccouncil.us), [facebook.com/cmmarycheh](https://www.facebook.com/cmmarycheh), and [entertainment.dc.gov](http://entertainment.dc.gov).

Bill 24-565 would require the Department of Transportation (DDOT) to install safety measures near schools, including: traffic signals, all-way stops, raised crosswalks, curb extensions, crosswalk warning pylons, flashing pedestrian signs, and speed humps, and would prohibit parking within a school's designated pick-up or drop-off zone. Additionally, the bill expands school zones to cover 150 yards around a school facility and extends the reduced speed limit in school zones to seven days a week. The bill would require an Automated Traffic Enforcement camera within each school zone with the revenue from school zone citations to be reinvested directly into funding school traffic safety infrastructure improvements.

Bill 24-566 would require DDOT to develop design and engineering standards for continuous sidewalks, raised crosswalks, and raised intersections, The bill would specify circumstances where continuous sidewalk, raised crosswalks and raised intersection must be installed, and would incorporate their construction into contracts for paving or resurfacing of streets and sidewalks, as part of DDOT's annual paving plan.

Due to the imminent threat to the health, safety, and welfare of District residents posed by the spread of the coronavirus, the Council has adapted the methods by which committees may hold public hearings and roundtables to comply with social distancing, large public gatherings, and other public health and safety requirements. Therefore, this public roundtable will be held remotely through the Zoom teleconferencing platform.

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The Committee invites the public to testify or to submit written testimony, which will be made a part of the official record. Anyone wishing to testify should contact Ms. Aukima Benjamin, Staff Assistant to the Committee on Transportation and the Environment, at least 24 hours prior to the start of the hearing at (202) 724-8062 or via e-mail at [abenjamin@dccouncil.us](mailto:abenjamin@dccouncil.us); witnesses will receive information on how to join the hearing at that time. Witnesses who anticipate needing language interpretation, or requiring 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, which is March 7, 2022. We 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 you are unable to testify at the public hearing, written statements are encouraged and will be made a part of the official record; testimony may be submitted to [abenjamin@dccouncil.us](mailto:abenjamin@dccouncil.us). The public may also leave voicemail testimony for the Committees by calling (202) 350-1344, which will be transcribed and made part of the hearing record. Members of the public leaving voicemail testimony should speak slowly and clearly, state their full name and the organization they represent, if any, and note the bill, hearing, or agency that they are submitting testimony on. Members of the public are asked to not provide an e-mail, phone number, or other personal contact information in voicemail testimony.

The record will close at the end of the business day on March 28, 2022.