

COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA  
**COMMITTEE ON GOVERNMENT OPERATIONS AND FACILITIES**  
ROBERT C. WHITE, JR., CHAIR

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**NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING**

on

**B24-0726, the “Enhancing Reproductive Health Protections Amendment Act of 2022”**

**B24-0808, the “Human Rights Sanctuary Amendment Act of 2022”**

Thursday, July 14, 2022, 12:00 PM

Live via:

Zoom Video Conference

Broadcast on DC Council Channel 13

Streamed live at [www.dccouncil.us](http://www.dccouncil.us), [www.entertainment.dc.gov](http://www.entertainment.dc.gov), and  
<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCPJZbHhKFbnyGeQclJxQk0g/live>

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On Thursday, July 14, 2022, Councilmember Robert C. White Jr., Chair of the Committee on Government Operations and Facilities, will hold a public hearing B24-0726, the “Enhancing Reproductive Health Protections Amendment Act of 2022” and B24-808, the “Human Rights Sanctuary Amendment Act of 2022”. The public hearing will take place via the Zoom web conferencing platform at 12:00 PM. Members of the public will be able to view the public roundtable on DC Council Channel 13, [www.dccouncil.us](http://www.dccouncil.us), [www.entertainment.dc.gov](http://www.entertainment.dc.gov), and <https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCPJZbHhKFbnyGeQclJxQk0g/live>.

The stated purpose of B24-0726, the “Enhancing Reproductive Health Protections Amendment Act of 2022” is to amend the Human Rights Act of 1977 to include protections for persons who assist and support others with self-managed abortions outside the healthcare system.

The stated purpose of B24-0808, the “Human Rights Sanctuary Amendment Act of 2022” is to amend the Human Rights Act of 1977 to prevent the District from supporting interstate investigations or proceedings with the potential to infringe upon the exercise of reproductive freedom and to create a private right of action against parties engaged in conduct that infringes on reproductive freedom.

The Committee invites the public to testify remotely or to submit written testimony. Anyone wishing to testify must sign up at [https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSeA5DFJ5bYIIKU-fMe\\_70uVdtXBys7KrO1r5KKXInKO2SuppQ/viewform](https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSeA5DFJ5bYIIKU-fMe_70uVdtXBys7KrO1r5KKXInKO2SuppQ/viewform), or by phone at (202) 741-8593, and provide their name, phone number or e-mail, organizational affiliation, and title (if any) by **the close of business on Tuesday, July 12, 2022**. Witnesses are encouraged, but not required, to submit their testimony in writing electronically in advance to [facilities@dccouncil.us](mailto:facilities@dccouncil.us). Witnesses

will participate remotely via Zoom. The Committee will follow-up with witnesses with additional instructions on how to provide testimony in advance of the proceeding.

All public witnesses will be allowed a maximum of four minutes to testify, while Advisory Neighborhood Commissioners will be permitted five minutes to testify. At the discretion of the Chair, the length of time provided for oral testimony may be reduced.

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 (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.

The Committee also encourages the public to submit written testimony to be included for the public record. Copies of written testimony should be submitted by e-mail to [facilities@dccouncil.us](mailto:facilities@dccouncil.us). **The record for this public hearing will close at the close of business on Thursday, July 28, 2022.**