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

COUNCILMEMBER ANITA BONDS, CHAIRPERSON
COMMITTEE ON HOUSING AND EXECUTIVE ADMINISTRATION

ANNOUNCES A PUBLIC HEARING

on the matter of

B24-0653 – Period Equity Righting an Injustice of District Residents (PERIOD) Act of 2022

on

Wednesday, July 6, 2022, at 12:00 PM
Via Zoom
https://dccouncil-us.zoom.us/j/87686221188?pwd=SXNDVFBRdkk1Qk81bm9HcVFweUt2dz09

On Wednesday, July 6, 2022, Councilmember Anita Bonds will hold a public hearing to discuss B24-0653 – Period Equity Righting an Injustice of District Residents (PERIOD) Act of 2022.

B24-0653 Period Equity Righting an Injustice of District Residents Act of 2022 ("PERIOD Act") requires the provision of free period products in District buildings and government operated spaces. This bill would reduce these risks for District residents and visitors by providing free period products in public buildings and facilities serving vulnerable populations. The inability to access period products can create serious health consequences. Women, transgender men, and non-binary people who lack access to menstrual products are more likely to reuse products or use products for too long, which puts those individuals at higher risk for infection and other conditions that require medical care. For any questions or concerns, please contact Aimellia Siemson at asiemson@dccouncil.us.

Persons who wish to testify are requested to either email the Committee at 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. 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. The hearing can be viewed on the Committee on Housing and Executive Administration YouTube(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 116, Washington, D.C. 20004 or by email at housing@dccouncil.us. The record will close at 5:00 p.m. on Wednesday, July 20, 2022.