

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

1350 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW, Washington, DC 20004

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

on

Bill 24-553, Public Health Emergency Credit Alert Amendment Act of 2021

on

Friday, November 18, 2022 at 12:00 p.m.

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Council Chairman Phil Mendelson announces a public hearing before the Committee of the Whole on **Bill 24-553**, the "Public Health Emergency Credit Alert Amendment Act of 2021." The hearing will be held at **12:00 p.m. on Friday, November 18, 2022** via Zoom Video Conference Broadcast.

The purpose of Bill 24-553 is to require credit reporting agencies to accept a personal statement from a consumer indicating that the consumer experienced financial hardship as a result of the public health emergency, which would be included with any credit report furnished by the credit reporting agency. Once a consumer files a personal statement, users of the credit report could not consider information that the consumer says was a result of hardship they experienced during the public health emergency.

Those who wish to testify must register at <http://www.ChairmanMendelson.com/testify> by **5:00 p.m. on Wednesday, November 16, 2022**. **Testimony is limited to four minutes**. 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 business days before the proceeding. We will make every effort to fulfill timely requests, although alternatives may be offered. Requests received in less than five business days may not be fulfilled. If you have additional questions, please contact Blaine Stum, Senior Policy Advisor, at (202) 724-8092.

The hearing will be conducted virtually on the Internet utilizing Zoom video conference technology. Testimony should be submitted in writing to cow@dccouncil.us in advance of the hearing. Written testimony will be posted publicly to <http://www.chairmanmendelson.com/testimony>. If you are unable to testify at the hearing, written statements are encouraged and will be made a part of the official record. Statements for the record should be submitted to cow@dccouncil.us or left by voicemail by calling (202) 430-6948 (up to 3 minutes which will be transcribed). The record will close at 5:00 p.m. on Tuesday, December 6, 2022.