

# OFFICE OF VINCENT C. GRAY CHAIRMAN, COMMITTEE ON HEALTH COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

#### MEMORANDUM

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To: Chairman Phil Mendelson

**FROM:** Councilmember Vincent C. Gray, Chairperson

**DATE:** December 1, 2022

SUBJECT: Request to Place Measures on the Agenda for the December 6, 2022 Legislative

Meeting

Pursuant to Council Rule 426, regarding a waiver of Rule 231(c), I request that the following measures be agendized for the December 6, 2022, Legislative Meeting. I also request that these measures be agendized for an Additional Meeting of the Committee of the Whole, should one be scheduled:

- Bill 24-053, the District Government Parental Bereavement Leave Amendment Act of 2022
- Bill 24-133, the Personal Medical Record Fee Amendment Act of 2022
- Bill 24-648, the School Psychologist Licensing Clarification Amendment Act of 2022
- Bill 24-830, the Protecting Health Professionals Providing Reproductive Healthcare Amendment Act of 2022
- Bill 24-942, the Consent for the Vaccination of Minors Amendment Act of 2022
- Bill 24-943, the High Need Healthcare Career Scholarship and Health Professional Loan Repayment Program Amendment Act of 2022

### Bill 24-053, the District Government Parental Bereavement Leave Amendment Act of 2022

This measure would amend the District of Columbia Government Comprehensive Merit Personnel Act of 1978 to provide paid leave for a District government employee when the employee suffers the death of the employee's minor child or a stillbirth.

## Bill 24-133, the Personal Medical Record Fee Amendment Act of 2022

This measure would amend the District of Columbia Health Occupations Revision Act of 1985 to limit fees charged by health care entity to persons authorized or designated to receive information

by the patient or client or on behalf of the patient or client to obtain personal medical records and to extend the period of time personal medical records must be stored.

# Bill 24-648, the School Psychologist Licensing Clarification Amendment Act of 2022

This measure would amend the District of Columbia Health Occupations Revision Act of 1985 to clarify that a school psychologist employed by the District of Columbia Public Schools or a public charter school and working in accordance with regulations issued by the Office of the State Superintendent of Education is excluded from the Board of Psychology's regulation of the practice of psychology; amend the Perinatal Mental Health Task Force Establishment Act of 2022 to remove the requirement that the Council of the District of Columbia confirm each appointee and to extend the deadline for the submission of the final report; and make other conforming amendments.

# Bill 24-830, the Protecting Health Professionals Providing Reproductive Healthcare Amendment Act of 2022

This measure would amend the District of Columbia Health Occupations Revision Act of 1985 to prohibit reciprocal disciplinary measures against certified, licensed, and registered health professionals solely for providing abortion and reproductive health care services, gender affirming care, and prescriptions to patients who live in states where the services are illegal or restricted but are permitted in the District for the prescribed purpose, and require the Mayor to expedite the review of certification, licensing, or registration of such health professionals.

#### Bill 24-942, the Consent for the Vaccination of Minors Amendment Act of 2022

This measure would allow emancipated minors, minors who are or previously have been married, unaccompanied homeless minors, minors who are or have been pregnant, or minors who are separated from their parents or legal guardian without the support of their parent or guardian to consent to receive a vaccine recommended by the United States Advisory Committee on Immunization Practices, allow vaccine providers to accept consent from other minors when the provider has made at least a reasonable attempt to obtain consent from the minor's parent or legal guardian, and make other conforming changes.

# Bill 24-943, the High Need Healthcare Career Scholarship and Health Professional Loan Repayment Program Amendment Act of 2022

This measure would establish the High-Need Healthcare Career Scholarships and Supports Program and eligibility requirements for applicants to the program; amend the District of Columbia Health Professional Recruitment Program Act of 2005 to expand the Health Recruitment Program to include loan repayments for specialized and sub-specialized medical practices and part-time participants in medically underserved areas; and amend section 47-1803.02 of the District of Columbia Official Code to cover tuition fees or other expenses for the High-Need Healthcare Career Scholarships and Supports Program.

These measures were marked up by the Committee on Health and have been timely filed with the Secretary's Office. For any questions or concerns, please contact Michelle Loggins, Interim Committee Director, at (202) 727-7711 or mloggins@dccouncil.gov.