

Council of the District of Columbia
COMMITTEE ON BUSINESS AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT
NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING
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COUNCILMEMBER KENYAN R. MCDUFFIE, CHAIRPERSON
COMMITTEE ON BUSINESS AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

ANNOUNCES A
PUBLIC HEARING ON

B25-0136, THE “GOLDEN TRIANGLE BUSINESS IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT
AMENDMENT ACT OF 2023”

B25-0149, THE “FRIENDSHIP HEIGHTS BUSINESS IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT
AMENDMENT ACT OF 2023”

B25-0056, THE “DRAM SHOP CLARIFICATION AMENDMENT ACT OF 2023”

AND

B25-0280, THE “WORKERS AND RESTAURANTS ARE PRIORITIES ACT OF 2023”

Friday, May 26, 2023, at 10:00 a.m.

Hearing in Room 500 and via Zoom Video Conference Broadcast

Streamed live at <https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCbFwXXcbCuQk3-zlwqe97mA/streams>

Viewable on the DC Council Website (www.dccouncil.gov)

On Friday, May 26, 2023, Councilmember Kenyan R. McDuffie, Chairperson of the Committee on Business and Economic Development, will hold a public hearing to consider the following measures:

- Bill 25-0136, the “Golden Triangle Business Improvement District Amendment Act of 2023”
- Bill 25-0149, the “Friendship Heights Business Improvement District Amendment Act of 2023”
- Bill 25-0056, the “Dram Shop Clarification Amendment Act of 2023”
- Bill 25-0280, the “Workers and Restaurants are Priorities Act of 2023”

Bill 25-0136, the “Golden Triangle Business Improvement District Amendment Act of 2023” would revise the tax rates of assessments for property owners in and to revise the residential tax rates for residential members of the Golden Triangle Business Improvement District.

Bill 25-0149, the “Friendship Heights Business Improvement District Amendment Act of 2023” would authorize the establishment and administration of the Friendship Heights Business Improvement District.

Bill 25-0056, the “Dram Shop Clarification Amendment Act of 2023” would define the term “intoxicated”, to clarify that licensed establishments can only be held liable for consequent injury and damages if they knowingly serve, sell, or deliver alcohol to a person under 21 years of age or a person that is obviously or noticeably exhibiting signs of intoxication, limit civil action to third parties, and cap monetary damages in civil actions.

Bill 25-0280, the “Workers and Restaurants are Priorities Act of 2023” sets minimum standards for third-party delivery platforms, exempts sales tax on service charges, modifies the way rents for restaurants are calculated, accelerates the timeline for I-82 implementation, creates a public awareness campaign regarding I-82 implementation, establishes safeguards for food delivery workers, and mandates a study on delivery worker conditions.

The Committee invites the public to testify remotely or to submit written testimony. Anyone wishing to testify must register by email to BusinessEconomicDevelopment@dccouncil.gov **by 5:00 p.m. Wednesday, May 24, 2023.**

Witnesses are encouraged to submit their written testimony in writing in advance to BusinessEconomicDevelopment@dccouncil.gov. To be included in the record, please indicate that you are submitting testimony for this hearing in the subject line of the e-mail. **The record for this hearing will close at 12:00 noon, Friday, June 2, 2023.**

Public witnesses will participate remotely and will receive a confirmation email after registering as outlined above. All public witnesses will be allowed a maximum of three minutes to testify. At the discretion of the Chair, the length of time provided for oral testimony may be reduced or extended.

For accommodation requests, including spoken language or sign language interpretation, please BusinessEconomicDevelopment@dccouncil.gov of the need as soon as possible, but no later than five (5) business days before the proceeding. The Council will make every effort to fulfill timely requests. However, requests received less than five (5) business days prior to the hearing may not be fulfilled and alternatives may be offered.

Please contact BusinessEconomicDevelopment@dccouncil.gov for additional information.