

Council of the District of Columbia
COMMITTEE ON BUSINESS AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT
NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING
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REVISED AND ABBREVIATED NOTICE

COUNCILMEMBER KENYAN R. MCDUFFIE, CHAIRPERSON
COMMITTEE ON BUSINESS AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

ANNOUNCES A
PUBLIC HEARING ON

**B25-0152, THE “REPARATIONS FOUNDATION FUND AND TASK FORCE
ESTABLISHMENT ACT OF 2023”**

Thursday, June 15, 2023, at 9:30 a.m.

**John A. Wilson Building, 1350 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW, Washington DC, 20004
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 Thursday, June 15, 2023, Councilmember Kenyan R. McDuffie, Chairperson of the Committee on Business and Economic Development, will hold a public hearing to consider the following measure:

- Bill 25-0152, the “Reparations Foundation Fund and Task Force Establishment Act of 2023”

This notice has been revised to reflect a change to the in-person location of the hearing, which had been originally scheduled for the MLK Jr. Memorial Library. The hearing will now be held at the John A. Wilson Building in Room 500.

Bill 25-0152, the “Reparations Foundation Fund and Task Force Establishment Act of 2023” would require the Commissioner of the Department of Insurance, Securities, and Banking to establish, by a time certain, a slavery era database of records relating to slaveholding; create a Reparations Task Force to study and develop reparation proposals for African Americans directly wronged and traumatized by the ills of slavery, Jim Crow, and structural and institutional racism; and establish a Foundation Fund to provide funds for reparations.

The Committee invites the public to testify in-person, virtually, or to submit written testimony. Anyone wishing to testify in-person or virtually must register **by Monday, June 12, 2023 at 5:00p.m.** here: <https://forms.office.com/g/gALBrxFASa>.

Witnesses are encouraged to submit their written testimony in writing in advance of the hearing 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 on Friday, June 30, 2023 at 5:00p.m.**

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 email 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.