

COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA
COMMITTEE ON THE JUDICIARY AND PUBLIC SAFETY
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COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC WORKS AND OPERATIONS
BRIANNE NADEAU, CHAIR

**NOTICE OF JOINT PUBLIC HEARING ON
B25-135, the Illegal Dumping Enforcement Amendment Act of 2023**

Tuesday, June 27, 2023, at 5:00 PM

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On Tuesday, June 27, 2023, Councilmember Brooke Pinto, Chairwoman of the Committee on the Judiciary and Public Safety, and Councilmember Brianne Nadeau, Chairwoman of the Committee on Public Works and Operations, will hold a hearing on B25-135, the Illegal Dumping Enforcement Amendment Act of 2023. The hearing will begin at 5:00 PM be broadcast live on DC Council Channel 13 and streamed live at dccouncil.gov, www.youtube.com/@cmbrookepinto, and entertainment.dc.gov.

B25-135, the Illegal Dumping Enforcement Amendment Act of 2023, would amend the Illegal Dumping Enforcement Act of 1994 to enhance the District's ability to enforce the ban on illegal dumping. It would grant the Office of the Attorney General ("OAG") the authority to file civil lawsuits for damages, civil penalties, recovery of the District's response costs, and injunctive or other relief against those who violate the illegal dumping prohibition. The legislation would also clarify that OAG, rather than the U.S. Attorney's Office, is responsible for prosecuting misdemeanor violations of the illegal dumping prohibition. In addition, the bill would amend the definition of "solid waste" in the Illegal Dumping Enforcement Act to explicitly include appliances and tires.

The Committees invite the public to testify or to submit written testimony, which will be made a part of the official record. Anyone wishing to testify should contact Ms. Aukima Benjamin, Committee Manager to the Committee on the Judiciary and Public Safety, at least 24 hours prior to the start of the hearing at (202) 724-8058 or via e-mail at judiciary@dccouncil.gov. Witnesses will have the option to testify in-person or virtually; witnesses should specify which option they are electing at the time they contact the Committee Manager. Witnesses who anticipate needing language interpretation, or requiring sign language interpretation, are requested to inform the Committee of the need as soon as possible but no later than five business days before the hearing, which is Tuesday, June 20, 2022. We 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 you are unable to testify at the public hearing, written statements are encouraged and will be made a part of the official record; testimony may be submitted to judiciary@dccouncil.gov. The public may also leave voicemail testimony for the Committee by calling (202) 630-7585, which will be transcribed and made part of the hearing record. Members of the public leaving voicemail testimony should speak slowly and clearly, state their full name and the organization they represent, if any, and note the bill, hearing, or agency that they are submitting testimony on. For privacy purposes, members of the public are asked to not provide an e-mail, phone number, or other personal contact information in voicemail testimony.

The record will close at the end of the business day on Tuesday, July 11, 2023.