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**THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA  
COMMITTEE ON EXECUTIVE ADMINISTRATION & LABOR  
AT- LARGE COUNCILMEMBER ANITA BONDS, CHAIR  
NOTICE OF PUBLIC ROUNDTABLE  
1350 PENNSYLVANIA AVENUE, NW, WASHINGTON, DC 20004**

**RECONVENED**

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**AT-LARGE COUNCILMEMBER ANITA BONDS, CHAIRPERSON  
COMMITTEE ON EXECUTIVE ADMINISTRATION AND LABOR**

**ANNOUNCES A RECONVENED PUBLIC ROUNDTABLE**

on the matter of

**Tipped Wage Reporting and Unemployment Insurance in the  
District of Columbia**

*On*

Thursday, November 9, 2023, at 2:30 PM

Hybrid (Via Zoom/ Room 120)

<https://dccouncil-us.zoom.us/j/84928106056?pwd=Bh7cT9GrACOGae3s3xZaZB35OzOc2S.1>

YouTube ([www.youtube.com/@EALCommittee](http://www.youtube.com/@EALCommittee))

At-Large Councilmember Anita Bonds announces the reconvening of a public roundtable before the Committee on Executive Administration and Labor on Tipped Wage Reporting and Unemployment Insurance in the District of Columbia. The roundtable, originally convened at 11:00 A.M. on Wednesday, October 11, 2023, will reconvene the roundtable at **2:30 P.M. on Thursday, November 9, 2023.**

The purpose of reconvening this roundtable is to discuss Tipped Wage Reporting and Unemployment Insurance in the District of Columbia with the Director of the Department of Employment Services, Dr. Unique Morris-Hughes.

Specifically, the objectives in discussing Tipped Wage Reporting are to evaluate the scheduled launch of the Tipped Wage Reporting System, as required by the Tipped Workers Fairness Amendment Act of 2018<sup>1</sup> (Act) and discover why the implementation of the Act has been delayed.

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<sup>1</sup> [D.C. Law 22-196. Tipped Wage Workers Fairness Amendment Act of 2018. | D.C. Law Library \(dccouncil.gov\)](#)

Furthermore, to assess the prevalence of underpaid tipped workers, and the process for the imposition of fines on non-complying businesses.

The Tipped Workers Fairness Amendment Act of 2018, passed by the Council, requires the quarterly reporting of wages paid and tips received by tipped employees to the Department of Employment Services (DOES). The Act also mandates that employers of tipped workers utilize third-party payroll businesses to prepare payroll for the employer. Additionally, the third-party payroll providers are also required to file quarterly wage reports. To expedite the filing of these required wage reports, DOES is to create an internet-based portal.

Moreover, the roundtable will consider the implementation of the Unemployment Insurance Program in the District of Columbia. Under the District government, DOES is authorized to administer the District's Unemployment Insurance Program, which falls under the jurisdiction of the Office of Unemployment Compensation (OUC). The Unemployment Insurance Program aids individuals who have lost their employment through no fault of their own by providing temporary financial assistance to qualified individuals who have met the District's eligibility requirements. The objective of discussing the administration of Unemployment Insurance is to review the performance and effectiveness of the program, identify areas of improvement, and learn more about the agency's program updates and remedial measures. Additionally, the roundtable will seek a deeper understanding of the status of fraudulent unemployment insurance claims, and the multitude of programmatic codes under the administration of the program.

This roundtable will involve oral testimony from government witnesses only. However, members of the public are encourage to submit written statements, and they will be made a part of the official record. Written statements should be submitted to through the Council's Hearing Management System <https://lims.dccouncil.gov/hearings>. The record will close at 5:00 p.m. on Monday, November 20, 2023.

Councilmembers will receive an individual Zoom invitation for the hearing in a separate email. If a Councilmember does not have a separate link for each, please contact Kevin Chavous at [kchavous@dccouncil.gov](mailto:kchavous@dccouncil.gov).

The hearing can be viewed on the following platforms:

- YouTube ([youtube.com/@EALCommittee/streams](https://youtube.com/@EALCommittee/streams))
- DC Council's Website at ([dccouncil.gov](https://dccouncil.gov))
- Office of Cable Television's Website ([www.entertainment.dc.gov](https://www.entertainment.dc.gov))

Witnesses who anticipate needing language interpretation or require sign language interpretation are encouraged to inform the Committee of the need as soon as possible before the proceeding. The Committee will make every effort to fulfill timely requests, otherwise, alternatives may be offered.

Should you have any additional questions, please contact Kevin Chavous, Committee Director/Chief of Communications at 202-724-8064 or at [kchavous@dccouncil.gov](mailto:kchavous@dccouncil.gov).