

**COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA
COMMITTEE ON HEALTH
NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING
1350 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW, Washington, DC 20004**

**COUNCILMEMBER CHRISTINA HENDERSON, CHAIRPERSON
COMMITTEE ON HEALTH**

ON

B25-0545 - Health Occupations Revision General Amendment Act of
2023

B25-347 Dental Hygiene and Dental Assistants Scope of Practice
Amendment Act of 2023

And

B25-0566 - Behavioral Analyst Licensure Amendment Act of 2023

ON

**Thursday December 7, 2023, 11:00 a.m.
(Or immediately following the proceeding hearing)**

Hybrid in Room 500 and Virtual via Zoom

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Councilmember Christina Henderson, Chair of the Committee on Health, announce a hearing on B25-0545 - Health Occupations Revision General Amendment Act of 2023; B25-347 Dental Hygiene and Dental Assistants Scope of Practice Amendment Act of 2023 and B25-0566 - Behavioral Analyst Licensure Amendment Act of 2023. The hearing will be held on Thursday December 7, 2023, at 11:00a.m. or immediately following the proceeding hearing.

The purpose of B25-0545 is to update the District of Columbia Health Occupations Revision Act of 1985 in several key areas to reflect current practices and technological advancements in healthcare. The stated purpose of authorize dental hygienists to perform additional functions. It clarifies who is required to register as a dental assistant. It would also allow

dental assistants to assist a licensed dental hygienist and to perform specified duties under general or indirect supervision. And lastly, the stated purpose of B25-0566 is to formally recognize and regulate the profession of Behavior Analysts in D.C. by establishing licensure requirements, thereby enhancing the quality and accessibility of behavioral healthcare, particularly for children with autism and other behavioral conditions.

Witnesses will be appearing virtually using the Zoom platform. Public witnesses will have 5 minutes to speak if they are representing an organization, and 3 minutes if they are speaking for themselves. The public should sign up at <https://lims.dccouncil.gov/Hearings> by 5pm on Tuesday, December 5, 2023. Witnesses who anticipate needing spoken language interpretation, or require sign language interpretation, are requested to inform the Committee office of the need as soon as possible but no later than five business days before the proceeding. We will make every effort to fulfill timely requests, although alternatives may be offered. Requests received in less than five business days may not be fulfilled. If you have additional questions, please email Ashley Strange, Legislative Assistant at astrange@dccouncil.gov.

Testimony should be submitted through the Council's Hearing Management System <https://lims.dccouncil.gov/hearings> in advance of the hearing. Testimony will be publicly accessible upon Committee review. If you are unable to testify at the hearing, written statements are encouraged and will be made a part of the official record. Statements for the record should be submitted through the Hearing Management System or left by voicemail by calling (202) 430-6046. The record will close at 5:00pm on Thursday, December 21, 2023.