


COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA
COMMITTEE ON EXECUTIVE ADMINISTRATION AND LABOR
MEMORANDUM

1350 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW, Washington, DC 20004

TO: Chairman Phil Mendelson

FROM: Councilmember Anita Bonds 

RE: Request to Agendize Measures for the December 3, 2024 Regular Legislative Meeting

DATE: November 27, 2024

This memorandum serves as my request to agendize the following measures for the December 3, 2024 Regular Legislative Meeting:

Emergency and Temporary Legislation

- **School Teacher, Administrator, and Mental Health Professional Protection Emergency Declaration Resolution of 2024**
- **School Teacher, Administrator, and Mental Health Professional Protection Emergency Amendment Act of 2024**
- **School Teacher, Administrator, and Mental Health Professional Protection Temporary Amendment Act of 2024**

This measure would enhance penalties for certain crimes against schoolteachers, administrators, and mental health professionals. As classrooms returned to in-person instruction after the COVID-19 pandemic, more instances of violence became prevalent within school communities. A significant number of teachers in the District have been physically assaulted and threatened with physical violence within their profession, impacting the quality of educational instruction and teacher retention. This measure will protect schoolteachers, administrators, and mental health professionals by increasing the penalties for violent crimes committed against them as they carry out their duties.

- **Election Worker Protection Second Emergency Declaration Resolution of 2024**
- **Election Worker Protection Second Emergency Amendment Act of 2024**
- **Election Worker Protection Second Temporary Amendment Act of 2024**

This emergency and temporary legislation would extend the protections provided by B25-0685, the Election Worker Protection Temporary Amendment Act of 2024, which expires on Jan 1, 2025. This bill amends the District of Columbia Theft and White Collar Crimes Act of 1982 to enhance penalties imposed for certain crimes against election officials. This measure addresses continuous safety concerns facing District of Columbia Board of Elections officials and election workers by providing additional safeguards to election workers to help ensure District elections

are safe for everyone. The District of Columbia, as our Nation's Capital, continues to receive increased exposure in the aftermath of the 2024 election. This measure will extend the increased penalties for crimes against election officials and elections workers.

Ceremonial Resolutions

- **51st Anniversary of the Enactment of the Home Rule Act Recognition Resolution of 2024**

This resolution recognizes the 51st anniversary of the enactment of Public Law 93-198, the "District of Columbia Self-Government and Governmental Reorganization Act," and recognizes the District of Columbia as the unofficial 51st state of the United States of America.