

**Council of the District of Columbia  
COMMITTEE ON THE JUDICIARY & PUBLIC SAFETY  
NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING  
1350 Pennsylvania Avenue, N.W., Washington, D.C. 20004**

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**COUNCILMEMBER CHARLES ALLEN, CHAIRPERSON  
COMMITTEE ON THE JUDICIARY & PUBLIC SAFETY**

**ANNOUNCES A PUBLIC HEARING ON**

**BILL 22-0268, THE “RETURNING CITIZENS OPPORTUNITY TO SUCCEED  
AMENDMENT ACT OF 2017”**

**BILL 22-0287, THE “INJURED METROPOLITAN POLICE OFFICER RELIEF  
AMENDMENT ACT OF 2017”**

**BILL 22-0514, THE “RELIEF FROM FIREARMS DISQUALIFICATION  
AMENDMENT ACT OF 2017**

**BILL 22-0524, THE “MATERNAL MORTALITY REVIEW COMMITTEE  
ESTABLISHMENT ACT OF 2017”**

**Thursday, December 7, 2017, 12 p.m.  
Room 500, John A. Wilson Building  
1350 Pennsylvania Avenue, N.W.  
Washington, D.C. 20004**

On Thursday, December 7, 2017, Councilmember Charles Allen, Chairperson of the Committee on the Judiciary and Public Safety, will hold a public hearing on Bill 22-0268, the “Returning Citizens Opportunity to Succeed Amendment Act of 2017”, Bill 22-0287, the “Injured Metropolitan Police Officer Relief Amendment Act of 2017”, Bill 22-0514, the “Relief from Firearms Disqualification Amendment Act of 2017,” and Bill 22-0524, the “Maternal Mortality Review Committee Establishment Act of 2017”. The hearing will take place in Room 500 of the John A. Wilson Building, 1350 Pennsylvania Avenue, N.W., at 12:00 p.m.

The stated purpose of Bill 22-0268, the “Returning Citizens Opportunity to Succeed Amendment Act of 2017”, is to amend the Office of Ex-Offender Affairs and Commission on Re-Entry and Ex-Offender Affairs Establishment Act of 2006 to require the Mayor’s Office of Returning Citizen Affairs to maintain a database containing information on all citizens returning to the District, to require that the Office contact each returning citizen at least six months prior to their

return to provide information related to housing and employment, to coordinate with the Department of Health and the Department of Motor Vehicles to provide returning citizens the opportunity to apply for birth certificates and non-driver identification cards while incarcerated, and to establish a program to provide a three-month transportation subsidy to returning citizens upon their return; to amend the Vital Records Act of 1981 to require the Department of Health to accept identifying information provided by the Federal Bureau of Prisons as one permissible form of identification to substantiate a request for vital records; and to amend the District of Columbia Traffic Control Act of 1925 to require the Mayor to develop a procedure for District residents incarcerated by the Bureau of Prisons to apply for non-driver identification cards at least six months prior to their return to the District.

The stated purpose of Bill 22-0287, the “Injured Metropolitan Police Officer Relief Amendment Act of 2017”, is to amend the Fire and Police Medical Leave and Limited Duty Amendment Act of 2004 to allow members of the Metropolitan Police Department who, in the performance of their duties, sustain serious or life-threatening injuries, to be processed with parity and be assigned non-police duties.

The stated purpose of Bill 22-0514, the “Relief from Firearms Disqualification Amendment Act of 2017”, is to amend the Firearms Control Regulations Act of 1975 to establish a judicial review process for individuals who apply for a firearms registration certificate and have, within the five-year period preceding the application, been committed to a mental hospital, institution, or facility by the Superior Court of the District of Columbia or a District board, commission, or lawful authority, or have been found to be incapacitated.

The stated purpose of Bill 22-0524, the “Maternal Mortality Review Committee Establishment Act of 2017”, is to establish the Maternal Mortality Review Committee within the Office of the Chief Medical Examiner to determine the causes associated with maternal deaths in the District and find solutions to lower the maternal death rate and improve maternal health.

The Committee invites the public to testify or to submit written testimony. Anyone wishing to testify at the hearing should contact the Committee via email at [judiciary@dccouncil.us](mailto:judiciary@dccouncil.us) or at (202) 727-8275, and provide their name, telephone number, organizational affiliation, and title (if any), by **close of business Monday, December 4**. Representatives of organizations will be allowed a maximum of five minutes for oral testimony, and individuals will be allowed a maximum of three minutes. Witnesses are encouraged to bring **twenty single-sided copies** of their written testimony and, if possible, also submit a copy of their testimony electronically in advance to [judiciary@dccouncil.us](mailto:judiciary@dccouncil.us).

For witnesses who are unable to testify at the hearing, written statements will be made part of the official record. Copies of written statements should be submitted to the Committee at [judiciary@dccouncil.us](mailto:judiciary@dccouncil.us) or to Nyasha Smith, Secretary to the Council, 1350 Pennsylvania Avenue, N.W., Suite 5, Washington, D.C. 20004. **The record will close at the end of the business day on December 21.**