

**Council of the District of Columbia**  
**COMMITTEE ON BUSINESS AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT**  
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**COUNCILMEMBER KENYAN R. MCDUFFIE, CHAIRPERSON**  
**COMMITTEE ON BUSINESS AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT**

**ANNOUNCES A PUBLIC HEARING ON**

**B22-0917 – THE “APPROVAL OF THE COMCAST OF THE DISTRICT, LLC CABLE TELEVISION SYSTEM FRANCHISE ACT OF 2018”;**

**B22-0928 – THE “APPROVAL OF THE STARPOWER COMMUNICATIONS OPEN VIDEO SYSTEM FRANCHISE ACT OF 2018”;**

**B22-0509 – THE “ATHLETIC COMMISSION AMENDMENT ACT OF 2018”; AND**

**Monday, October 15, 2018, 10:00 a.m.**  
**Room 123, John A. Wilson Building**  
**1350 Pennsylvania Avenue, N.W.**  
**Washington, D.C. 20004**

On Monday, October 15, 2018 Councilmember Kenyan R. McDuffie, Chairperson of the Committee on Business and Economic Development, will hold a public hearing on Bill 22-0917, the “Approval of the Comcast of the District, LLC Cable Television System Franchise Act of 2018”; Bill 22-0928, the “Approval of the Starpower Communications Open Video System Franchise Act of 2018”; and Bill 22-0509, the “Athletic Commission Amendment Act of 2018.” The stated purpose of Bill 22-0917 is to renew the cable franchise agreement between the Government of the District of Columbia and Comcast of the District, LLC (“Comcast”). The franchise agreement will allow Comcast to provide cable services in the District and in exchange, pay a franchise fee or a part of its revenue to the District of Columbia Government. The term of the franchise agreement is for ten years with a possibility of extension for an additional five years.

The stated purpose of Bill 22-0928 is to renew a franchise agreement between the Government of the District of Columbia and Starpower Communications (“RCN”) to provide open video system services in the District. The term of the agreement is for ten years.

The stated purpose of Bill 22-0509 is to amend the “Boxing and Wrestling Commission Act of 1975”. This legislation would: 1) rename the “District of Columbia Boxing and Wrestling

Commission” to the “Athletic Commission for the District of Columbia”; 2) include provisions regulating mixed martial arts; 3) create an “Athletic Commission Fund”; 4) delegate grant-making authority to the Commission; and 5) amend the safety requirements for amateur matches.

The Committee invites the public to testify or to submit written testimony. Anyone wishing to testify at the hearing should contact the Committee on Business and Economic Development via email at [oagwai@dccouncil.us](mailto:oagwai@dccouncil.us) or at (202) 724-8078, and provide their name, telephone number, organizational affiliation, and title (if any), by **close of business Thursday, October 11<sup>th</sup>**. 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 [oagwai@dccouncil.us](mailto:oagwai@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 on Business and Economic Development at [oagwai@dccouncil.us](mailto:oagwai@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 October 29<sup>th</sup>**.