COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA COMMITTEE ON LABOR AND WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT NOTICE OF PUBLIC OVERSIGHT ROUNDTABLE

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CHAIRPERSON ELISSA SILVERMAN COMMITTEE ON LABOR AND WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT

ANNOUNCES A PUBLIC OVERSIGHT ROUNDTABLE ON

Implementation of Law 21-264, The Universal Paid Leave Amendment Act of 2016

Thursday, July 11, 2019, 1:00 pm Hearing Room 500, John A. Wilson Building 1350 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW Washington, DC 20004

Councilmember Elissa Silverman, Chairperson of the Committee on Labor and Workforce Development, announces a public oversight roundtable before the Committee on implementation of the Universal Paid Leave Amendment Act of 2016 (L21-264). The law establishes a paid leave system to provide partial wage replacement for District residents in need of leave from work due to serious family illness, personal medical needs, or to care for a new child. Previous oversight roundtables were held on November 20, 2017; January 31, 2018; July 11, 2018; October 9, 2018; January 29, 2019; and May 6, 2019. The Committee also heard testimony regarding implementation of the Act during the Department of Employment Services (DOES) FY20 budget and performance oversight hearings.

At this roundtable, the committee will review the quarterly report submitted by DOES for FY2019 Quarter 3, pursuant to D.C. Official Code §32–541.04(h) and (i), in addition to other elements of implementation. Notably, the system to collect employer contributions which will fund paid leave benefits must be operational by July 1, 2019. The roundtable will be held at 1:00 p.m. on Thursday, July 11, 2019, in Room 500 of the John A. Wilson Building.

Those who wish to testify before the Committee are asked to contact Ms. Charnisa Royster at labor@dccouncil.us or (202) 724-7772 by 5:00 p.m. on Tuesday, July 9 2019, to provide their name, address, telephone number, organizational affiliation and title (if any), as well as the language of oral interpretation, if any, they require. Witnesses who anticipate needing language interpretation, including American Sign Language (ASL) interpretation, are requested to inform this office of the need as soon as possible but no later than Tuesday, July 2, 2019 at 5:00 pm. Those wishing to testify are encouraged, but not required, to submit 15 copies of written testimony. Those representing organizations will have five minutes to present their testimony, and other individuals will have three minutes to present their testimony; less time will be allowed if there are a large number of witnesses.

If you are unable to testify at the roundtable, written statements will be made a part of the official record. Written statements should be submitted by email to Ms. Royster at labor@dccouncil.us or mailed to the Committee on Labor and Workforce Development, Council of the District of Columbia, Suite 115 of the John A. Wilson Building, 1350 Pennsylvania Avenue, N.W., Washington, D.C. 20004. The record will close at 5:00 p.m. on Thursday, July 25, 2019.