

**Council of the District of Columbia**  
Committee on Public Services and Consumer Affairs  
**Notice of Public Hearing**  
1350 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW, Washington, D.C. 20004

**ABBREVIATED &  
REVISED NOTICE**

**COUNCILMEMBER MURIEL BOWSER, CHAIR  
COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC SERVICES AND CONSUMER AFFAIRS**

**Announces A Public Hearing On**

**Bill 18-659: Community Bank Liquidity  
Access Pilot Program Act of 2010;**

**Bill 18-699: Compulsory/No Fault Motor Vehicle  
Insurance Amendment Act of 2010;**

**Bill 18-773: Annual Financial Reporting Modernization  
Amendment Act of 2010; and**

**Bill 18-793: District of Columbia  
Board of Industrial Trades Act of 2010.**

**Wednesday, July 7, 2010  
11:00 a.m., Room 412  
1350 Pennsylvania Avenue NW  
Washington, D.C. 20004**

Councilmember Muriel Bowser, Chair of the Committee on Public Services and Consumer Affairs, announces a Public Hearing on Bill 18-659: Community Bank Liquidity Access Pilot Program Act of 2010; Bill 18-699: Compulsory/No Fault Motor Vehicle Insurance Amendment Act of 2010; Bill 18-773: Annual Financial Reporting Modernization Amendment Act of 2010; and Bill 18-793: District of Columbia Board of Industrial Trades Act of 2010. The hearing will be held on Wednesday, July 7, at 10:00 a.m. in Room 412 of the John Wilson Building, 1350 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW. **This notice has been revised to reflect a new time for the hearing. It has been abbreviated to give timely notice to the public.**

**Bill 18-659: Community Bank Liquidity Access Pilot Program Act of 2010** would create a program that is designed to promote lending to District businesses by having the District government deposit money in community banks. The community banks would be required to lend out \$2 for every \$1 deposited by the District and loans would be required to go to small and medium-sized businesses. In return for providing deposits to

community banks, the District would receive interest payments.

**Bill 18-699: Compulsory/No Fault Motor Vehicle Insurance Amendment Act of 2010** would amend the Compulsory/No-Fault Motor Vehicle Insurance Act of 1982 to require insurance carriers authorized to sell motor vehicle insurance in the District to provide monthly records to the Department pertaining to each of their insureds. This change will make it easier for the Department of Motor Vehicles to ensure that all District drivers have automobile insurance.

**Bill 18-773: Annual Financial Reporting Modernization Amendment Act of 2010** would amend the annual financial reporting requirements and enhance the surveillance of the financial condition of insurance companies. To that end, the bill (1) requires the establishment of audit committees with certain enumerated responsibilities, (2) prohibits insurers from indemnifying their independent auditors and auditors from providing certain non-audit services, (3) directs auditors and accountants to communicate certain internal control related matters in the annual audit, (4) proscribes certain conduct of officers and directors in connection with the preparation of certain required financial reports and documents, and (5) requires management to file reports of internal control over financial reporting.

**Bill 18-793: District of Columbia Board of Industrial Trades Act of 2010** would reduce the Board of Industrial Trade's (Board) membership from 15 to 11 members, to include 2 plumbers, 2 electricians, 2 refrigeration and air conditioning mechanics, 2 steam and other operating engineers, one asbestos worker, one elevator inspector, and one consumer member. The effect of this change is that the Board would have a quorum with 6 members, rather than 8, which would make it substantially easier for the Board to fulfill its statutory obligation. The Board is currently experiencing difficulty in filling its 6 vacancies, and has never had enough members to reach a quorum.

Members of the public are invited to testify. Testimony may be limited to 3 minutes per witness and 5 minutes for a panel. Those wishing to testify should contact Davida Crockett of the Committee on Public Services and Consumer Affairs via email at [dcrockett@dccouncil.us](mailto:dcrockett@dccouncil.us), or by phone at (202) 741-0898, by Monday, July 5, 2010. Witnesses should bring 15 copies of their written testimony to the hearing.

Members of the public may submit written testimony which will be made part of the official record. Copies of written statements should be submitted to Ms. Cynthia Brock-Smith, Secretary to the Council, 1350 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW, Suite 5, Washington, DC 20004, no later than 5:30 p.m., Friday, July 9, 2010.

**Council of the District of Columbia**  
Committee on Public Services and Consumer Affairs  
**Notice of Public Oversight Roundtable**  
1350 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW, Washington, D.C. 20004

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**COUNCILMEMBER MURIEL BOWSER, CHAIR**  
**COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC SERVICES AND CONSUMER AFFAIRS**

**Public Oversight Roundtable On**

**Office of the Tenant Advocate's Use of the Emergency Housing Fund**

**and**

**Efficient Administration of the Vacant Property Program**

**Thursday, July 14, 2010**  
**10:00 a.m., Room 412**  
**1350 Pennsylvania Avenue NW**  
**Washington, D.C. 20004**

Councilmember Muriel Bowser, Chair of the Committee on Public Services and Consumer Affairs, announces a Public Oversight Roundtable on the *Office of the Tenant Advocate's Use of the Emergency Housing Fund* and the *Efficient Administration of the Vacant Property Program*. The roundtable will be held on Wednesday, July 14, 2010, at 10:00 a.m. in Room 412 of the John A. Wilson Building, 1350 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW.

**Office of the Tenant Advocate's Use of the Emergency Housing Fund:** The Office of the Tenant Advocate is responsible for managing and administering the Housing Assistance Fund established by § 42-3403.07. Also known as the Condo Conversion Fee fund or the Emergency Housing Fund, all collections of the condominium or cooperative conversion fee are deposited therein and then expended, for among other purposes,<sup>1</sup> to provide recently displaced tenants with temporary shelter. By statute, the funds may be expended for a variety of purposes such as relocation payments, storage, first month's rent, moving expenses and other items incidental to relocation. The amount and method of relocation payments shall be determined by OTA. This funding is essential for displaced tenants but guidelines for use of the fund should be clearly defined. The roundtable is an opportunity to discuss guidelines, accounting, and appropriate administration of the fund.

**Efficient Administration of the Vacant Property Program:** Earlier this month the Council reestablished a 4-tier property tax policy, which included a vacant property tax of \$5 per \$100 of

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<sup>1</sup> 33% of the fund is to be used by for agency administrative and operational purposes.

assessed value set to take effect in October. The higher tax rate on vacant properties had the desired effect of moving many longstanding vacant properties into productive use. Since 2006, over 1,000 formerly vacant properties have become occupied. However, complaints as to the administration vacant property program by the Department of Consumer and Regulatory Affairs and the Office of Tax and Revenue were frequent. Complaints went to misidentification of vacant properties, exemptions from the tax, timely notice and appeals procedures, retroactive assessments, and coordination with OTR. With three months until the implementation of the tax, this roundtable is an opportunity to identify administrative hurdles and their solutions.

Members of the public are invited to testify. Testimony may be limited to 3 minutes per witness and 5 minutes for organizations. Those wishing to testify should contact Ms. Davida Crockett of the Committee on Public Services and Consumer Affairs via email at [dcrockett@dccouncil.us](mailto:dcrockett@dccouncil.us), or by phone at (202) 741-0898, by Monday, July 12, 2010. Witnesses should bring 15 copies of their written testimony to the hearing.

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**COUNCILMEMBER MURIEL BOWSER, CHAIR**  
**COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC SERVICES AND CONSUMER AFFAIRS**

**Announces A Public Roundtable On**

**PR18-971: Public Service Commission of the District of Columbia Betty Ann Kane  
Chairperson Confirmation Resolution of 2010;**

**PR18-972: Public Service Commission of the District of Columbia Betty Ann Kane  
Confirmation Resolution of 2010;**

**PR18-921: Board of Funeral Directors Charles Bowman Jr. Confirmation  
Resolution of 2010;**

**PR18-922: Board of Funeral Directors R. Bowman Horton Confirmation Resolution  
of 2010; and**

**PR18-930: Board of Barber and Cosmetology Sharon Young Confirmation  
Resolution of 2010.**

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10:00 a.m., Room 412  
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Councilmember Muriel Bowser, Chair of the Committee on Public Services and Consumer Affairs, announces a Public Roundtable on PR18-971 Public Service Commission of the District of Columbia Betty Ann Kane Chairperson Confirmation Resolution of 2010; PR18-972: Public Service Commission of the District of Columbia Betty Ann Kane Confirmation Resolution of 2010; PR18-921: Board of Funeral Directors Charles Bowman Jr. Confirmation Resolution of 2010; PR18-922: Board of Funeral Directors R. Bowman Horton Confirmation Resolution of 2010; and PR18-930: Board of Barber and Cosmetology Sharon Young Confirmation Resolution of 2010.

The roundtable will be held on Wednesday, July 7, at 10:00 a.m. in Room 412 of the John Wilson Building, 1350 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW.

**PR18-971: Public Service Commission of the District of Columbia Betty Ann Kane  
Chairperson Confirmation Resolution of 2010 and PR18-972: Public Service**

**Commission Betty Ann Kane Confirmation Resolution of 2010** would confirm the reappointment of Ms. Betty Ann Kane as a Commissioner and Chairperson to the District of Columbia Public Service Commission for a term to end June 30, 2014.<sup>1</sup>

**PR18-921: Board of Funeral Directors Charles Bowman Jr. Confirmation Resolution of 2010** would confirm Charles Bowman Jr. of 5214 Ames Street N.E., as a licensed funeral director member of the Board of Funeral Directors for a term to end March 1, 2011.

**PR18-922: Board of Funeral Directors R. Bowman Horton Confirmation Resolution of 2010** would confirm R. Bowman Horton of 94 Bates Street N.E., as a licensed funeral director member of the Board of Funeral Directors for a term to end March 1, 2011.

**PR18-930: Board of Barber and Cosmetology Sharon Young Confirmation Resolution of 2010** would confirm Sharon Young of 157 Rhode Island Ave N.E. as a cosmetology specialist member of the Board of Barber and Cosmetology, for a term to end December 13, 2012.

Members of the public are invited to testify. Testimony may be limited to 3 minutes per witness and 5 minutes for a panel. Those wishing to testify should contact Davida Crockett of the Committee on Public Services and Consumer Affairs via email at [dcrockett@dccouncil.us](mailto:dcrockett@dccouncil.us), or by phone at (202) 741-0898, by Monday, July 5, 2010. Witnesses should bring 15 copies of their written testimony to the hearing.

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<sup>1</sup> PR18-971 and PR18-972 are necessary to both confirm Ms. Kane's seat on the Commissions and her appointment as Chair.