

**COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA
COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE
NOTICE OF A PUBLIC HEARING**
1350 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW, Washington, DC 20004

**CHAIRMAN PHIL MENDELSON
COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE
ANNOUNCES A PUBLIC HEARING**

on

Bill 24-135, Non-Public Student Educational Continuity Amendment Act of 2021

on

Wednesday, December 15, 2021 at 1:00 p.m.
Chairman's Website (www.ChairmanMendelson.com/live)

Council Chairman Phil Mendelson announces a public hearing of the Committee of the Whole on Bill 24-135, the Non-Public Student Educational Continuity Amendment Act of 2021. The hearing will be on **Wednesday, December 15, 2021, at 1:00 p.m.** via Zoom videoconference.

The purpose of Bill 24-135 is to allow students, who were under the care of the District but who have been placed in the permanent care and custody of a parent, guardian, or custodian who resides outside of the District, to remain in their non-public school or program and to have the District pay for that placement for the remainder of the school year, as well as the following school year. This permanent version of legislation mirrors the three rounds of emergency and temporary legislation that have been approved by the Council last year.

Those who wish to testify must register at <http://www.ChairmanMendelson.com/testify> by 5:00 p.m. on December 13, 2021. **Testimony is limited to three minutes.** Witnesses who anticipate needing spoken language interpretation, or require sign language interpretation, are requested to inform the Committee office of the need as soon as possible but no later than five business days before the proceeding. We will make every effort to fulfill timely requests, although alternatives may be offered. Requests received in less than five business days may not be fulfilled. If you have additional questions, please contact Destiny Riley at (202) 724-8196.

The hearing will be conducted virtually on the Internet utilizing Zoom video conference technology. Testimony should be submitted in writing to cow@dccouncil.us in advance of the hearing. Written testimony will be posted to <http://www.chairmanmendelson.com/testimony>. If you are unable to testify at the hearing, written statements are encouraged and will be made a part of the official record. Statements for the record should be submitted to cow@dccouncil.us or left by voicemail by calling (202) 430-6948 (up to 3 minutes which will be transcribed). The record will close at 5:00pm on December 29, 2021.