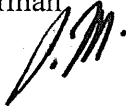


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MEMORANDUM

TO: Nyasha Smith, Secretary to the Council

FROM: Phil Mendelson, Chairman 

DATE: December 19, 2022

RE: **Notice of intent to move an amendment in the nature of a substitute at the December 20, 2022 Legislative Meeting**

This memorandum serves as notice that I intend to move an amendment in the nature of a substitute (ANS) for the following measure on second reading at the December 20, 2022 Legislative Meeting:

- **Bill 24-570, Schools First in Budgeting Amendment Act of 2022**

The underlying measure prescribed a calculation by which to build and adjust school budgets year over year. Given the urgent need to stabilize schools and provide greater transparency around the school budgeting process for parents and stakeholders, it is necessary to revise the budget model such that it prioritizes schools first and brings them stability.

The ANS contains the following changes:

- Revises and improves reporting requirements including additional reporting on the school's use of at-risk concentration funding. The report submission is now required by November 30 (currently October 1) and is now to include a narrative that describes how the school will use those funds to improve student achievement among at-risk students at their school.
- Revises language in current law stating that at-risk funding "supplement, not supplant" general education dollars. Also, that at least 90% of at-risk dollars go to schools.
- Requires the Chancellor to adjust a school's budget by the amount of per-pupil funding derived from a proposed change, if any, to the at-risk general education add-on weight as prescribed in the Uniform Per Student Funding Formula (UPSFF) for the forthcoming year. A change to the weight should be additive to schools budgets.

cc: All Councilmembers
Council Officers