Memorandum

To : Members of the Council

From : Nyasha Smith, Secretary to the Council

Date : November 08, 2017

Subject : Referral of Proposed Legislation

Notice is given that the attached proposed legislation was introduced in the Legislative Meeting on Tuesday, November 7, 2017. Copies are available in Room 10, the Legislative Services Division.

TITLE: "Slumlord Deterrence Amendment Act of 2017", B22-0573

INTRODUCED BY: Councilmembers Silverman, R. White, T. White, Nadeau, Grosso, and Bonds

CO-SPONSORED BY: Councilmember Gray

The Chairman is referring this legislation to the Committee of the Whole.

Attachment

cc: General Counsel
    Budget Director
    Legislative Services
A BILL

IN THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

To authorize the Department of Consumer and Regulatory Affairs to deny basic business licenses and building permits to rental property owners who neglect their properties.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, That this act may be cited as the “Slumlord Deterrence Amendment Act of 2017”.

Sec. 2. Section 47-2851.11 of the District of Columbia Official Code is amended as follows:

(a) Subsection (a) is amended as follows:

(1) Paragraph (3) is amended by striking the phrase “; or” and inserting a semicolon in its place.
(2) Paragraph (4) is amended by striking the period and inserting the phrase "; or"
in its place.

(3) A new paragraph (5) is added to read as follows:

"(5) The person or business has an ownership or member interest in a rental property that
has been cited for more than 5 Class 1 infractions as defined in 16 DCMR § 3305 in any 12-
month period.

(b) A new subsection (c) is added to read as follows:

"(c) The Center may issue or renew a basic business license denied pursuant to
subsection (a)(5) when:

(1) All Class 1 infractions as defined in 16 DCMR § 3305 have been cured; and
(2) At least 12 months have passed since the curing of the last infraction.".

Sec. 3. The Construction Codes Approval and Amendment Act of 1986, effective March
21, 1987 (D.C. Law 6-216; D.C. Code § 6-1407.01, et. seq.), is amended as follows:

(1) Paragraph (3) is amended by striking the phrase "; or" and inserting a
semicolon in its place.

(2) Paragraph (4) is amended by striking the period and inserting the phrase "; or"
in its place.

(3) A new paragraph (5) is added to read as follows:

"(5) Twelve months from the date all Class 1 infractions as defined in 16 DCMR § 3305
have been cured where the applicant is a person or business with an ownership or member
interest in a rental property that has been cited for more than 5 Class 1 infractions in any 12-
month period.".

Sec. 4. Fiscal impact statement.
The Council adopts the fiscal impact statement in the committee report as the fiscal
impact statement required by section 4a of the General Legislative Procedures Act of 1975,

Sec. 5. Effective date.

This act shall take effect following approval by the Mayor (or in the event of veto by the
Mayor, action by the Council to override the veto), a 30-day period of congressional review as
provided in section 602(c)(1) of the District of Columbia Home Rule Act, approved December
24, 1973 (87 Stat. 813: D.C. Official Code § 1-206.02(c)(1)) and publication in the District of
Columbia Register.