

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

CHAIRMAN PHIL MENDELSON
COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE
ANNOUNCES A PUBLIC HEARING

on

Bill 24-445, “College Student Athlete Compensation Amendment Act of 2021”
Bill 24-455, “Uniform Athletes Agents Act Amendment Act of 2021”
Bill 24-456 “Uniform College Athlete Name, Image, or Likeness Act of 2021”

on

Wednesday, September 28, 2022 at Noon

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Council Chairman Phil Mendelson announces a public hearing of the Committee of the Whole on Bill 24-445, “*College Student Athlete Compensation Amendment Act of 2021*,” Bill 24-455, “*Uniform Athletes Agents Act Amendment of 2021*,” and Bill 24-456, “*Uniform College Athlete Name, Image, or Likeness Act of 2021*.” The hearing will be held on **Wednesday, September 28, 2022 at 12:00 p.m.** via Zoom video conference.

Bill 24-445, “*College Student Athlete Compensation Amendment Act of 2021*” would permit student-athletes to earn compensation for use of their name, image, or likeness (NIL); prohibit compensation for endorsements of restricted products or activities like tobacco or gambling; prohibit pay-for-play incentives like payments to induce attendance; and enable universities to put rules around NIL compensation that protects their intellectual property and contractual relationships.

Bill 24-455, “*Uniform Athletes Agents Act Amendment of 2021*” comes from the Uniform Law Commission and has seen adoption in 18 states. This bill seeks to expand the definition of “athlete-agent”; provide reciprocal license registration for athlete-agents; require athlete-agents to notify universities before contacting student-athletes; prohibit certain actions a student-athlete can take on behalf of an agent; provide a right of action against an athlete agent for conduct violation; and, maintain university eligibility if unsuccessful in a professional draft.

Bill 24-456, “*Uniform College Athlete Name, Image, or Likeness Act of 2021*” would provide a comprehensive, uniform framework for state-level regulation of NIL activities that will provide college athletes with robust protections for their NIL rights while also ensuring parity for competing institutions across state lines. This bill comes from the Uniform Law Commission.

Those who wish to testify must register at <http://www.ChairmanMendelson.com/testify> by the close of business on Monday, September 26, 2022. **Testimony is limited to four minutes.** Witnesses who anticipate needing spoken language interpretation or require sign language interpretation must 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 Aaron Sayama, Legislative Assistant, at (202) 724-4865.

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 publicly to <http://www.chairmanmendelson.com/testimony>. If you are unable to testify written statements are encouraged and will be made 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 Wednesday October 12, 2022.