



Chairman Phil Mendelson

AMENDMENT

B25-68, "Street Vendor Advancement Amendment Act of 2023"
Amendment in the Nature of a Substitute
April 4, 2023

Amendment:

(a) Section 3(c), lines 245 through 249, is amended to read as follows:

"Sec. 7a. Vending licenses and permits and criminal background checks.

"No applicant for a basic business license, a vending site permit, or any other licenses or permits required to vend from a sidewalk, roadway or other public space pursuant to section 3 shall be required, **in connection with said application**, to undergo a criminal background check or provide a certified copy of a criminal history report to any agency prior to or after receiving said licenses or permits."

Rationale: *This is a technical change to the ANS to ensure that the prohibition on criminal background checks only applies to applications for street vendor licenses or permits.*

(b) Section 3(f) is amended as follows:

(1) Lines 572 through 576 are amended to read as follows:

"(1) Fines for violations of this chapter and rules from 2010 to the effective date of the Street Vendor Advancement Amendment Act of 2023, including any accrued interest **or penalties**; and

"(2) Minimum sales tax payments owed pursuant to § 47-2002.01 from 2010 to the effective date of the Street Vendor Advancement Amendment Act of 2023, including any accrued interest **or penalties**, pursuant to § 47-2002.01(e)."

(2) Lines 584 through 585 are amended to read as follows:

"(4) Documentation verifying the amount of delinquent minimum sales, **interest, and penalties tax** owed to the Office of Tax and Revenue.

(3) Lines 598 through 600 are amended to read as follows:

"(3) **Make R** recommendations for capital improvements at areas within the Columbia Heights-Mount Pleasant Sidewalk Vending Zone to better accommodate vending activity and pedestrian access; and"

(4) Lines 604 through 605 are amended to read as follows:

“(b) The Mayor shall submit the study required pursuant to paragraph (1) no later than one year after the **effective applicability** date of the Street Vendor Advancement Amendment Act of 2023.”

Rationale: This makes one substantive change to the ANS and two minor clarifying changes. First, it ensures that any penalties assessed on delinquent fines or minimum sales tax payments are covered by the amnesty program. Second, it clarifies that the Mayor must submit the Columbia Heights-Mount Pleasant public asset and vendor support study a year after the bill is funded, rather than a year after the effective date.