

COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA
COMMITTEE ON THE JUDICIARY AND PUBLIC SAFETY
BROOKE PINTO, CHAIR

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING ON

Bill 25-318, the Metro Safety Amendment Act of 2023

Wednesday, October 11, 2023, at 9:30 a.m.

Room 500, John A. Wilson Building
1350 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW
Washington, DC 20004

To watch live:

Councilmember Pinto's YouTube Page (www.youtube.com/@cmbrookepinto)

DC Council Website (dccouncil.gov)

Council Channel 13 (Cable Television Providers)

Office of Cable Television Website (entertainment.dc.gov)

On Wednesday, October 11, 2023, Councilmember Brooke Pinto, Chairwoman of the Committee on the Judiciary and Public Safety, will hold a hearing on **Bill 25-318**, the Metro Safety Amendment Act of 2023. The hearing will begin at 9:30 a.m. in Room 500 of the John A. Wilson Building, 1350 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW. The hearing will be broadcast live on DC Council Channel 13 and streamed live at www.dccouncil.us, [youtube.com/@cmbrookepinto](https://www.youtube.com/@cmbrookepinto), and entertainment.dc.gov.

Bill 25-318, the Metro Safety Amendment Act of 2023, would require individuals who are stopped for fare evasion in the District to provide their true name and address to the officer who stops them, in order to ensure that officers are able to enforce the existing civil fine for fare evasion. Individuals who refuse to provide their true name and address could be detained and would be subject to a fine of up to \$100.

The Committee invites the public to testify. Those who wish to do so must register using the Council's Hearing Management System at <https://lims.dccouncil.gov/hearings> by **9:30 a.m. on Tuesday, October 10**. Witnesses who represent organizations will have 5 minutes to speak. All others will have 3 minutes to speak. **Witnesses will have the option to testify in person or virtually**; witnesses should specify which option they are electing at the time they sign up to testify.

Witnesses who anticipate needing spoken language interpretation, or who require sign language interpretation, are requested to inform the Committee office of the need as soon as possible, but no later than 5 business days before the proceeding. We will make every effort to fulfill timely requests, although alternatives may be offered. Requests may be submitted via the Hearing Management System during registration or by contacting Ms. Aukima Benjamin, Committee Manager to the Committee on the Judiciary and Public Safety, at (202) 724-8058 or via e-mail at judiciary@dccouncil.gov. Requests received less than 5 business days before the proceeding may not be fulfilled. Witnesses will receive instructions on how to participate by Zoom prior to the hearing. If you have additional questions, please contact the Committee Manager at the phone number or e-mail listed above.

If you are unable to testify at the public hearing, written statements are encouraged and will be made a part of the official record; written testimony should be submitted through the Council's Hearing Management System at <https://lims.dccouncil.gov/hearings>. Testimony will be publicly accessible following Committee review.

The record will close at 5:00 p.m. on Wednesday, October 25, 2023.