

**COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA
COMMITTEE ON LABOR AND WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT
NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING**
1350 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW, Washington, DC 20004

**CHAIRPERSON ELISSA SILVERMAN
COMMITTEE ON LABOR AND WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT**

ANNOUNCES A PUBLIC HEARING ON

**B23-0570 First Source Resident Employment Amendment Act of 2019
B23-0436 First Source Community Accountability Amendment Act of 2019**

Thursday, November 19, 2020, 10:00 a.m.

**Virtual hearing via Zoom
Broadcast on DC Cable Channel 13 and online at www.dccouncil.us**

Councilmember Elissa Silverman, Chairperson of the Committee on Labor and Workforce Development, announces a public hearing before the Committee on B23-0436 First Source Community Accountability Amendment Act of 2019 and B23-0570 First Source Resident Employment Amendment Act of 2019. Bill 23-436 would make updates and reforms to the First Source law, to provide the public with more information on projects and outcomes. Bill 23-570 would make improvements to the First Source law to increase the number of qualified District residents working on First Source projects, particularly for higher-skill jobs; improve the Department of Employment Services' assistance to First Source contractors; and remove bureaucratic reporting requirements for contractors.

Witnesses may use their phone or computer to participate in this virtual live hearing. Those who wish to testify live must sign up no later than 5:00 p.m. on Tuesday, November 17, 2020, by providing their information using the form available at <https://forms.gle/9Bdauhve5JNEzVpJA>. Witnesses must provide their name, email address, telephone number, organizational affiliation (if any), and job title (if any), as well whether they require language interpretation or sign language interpretation. Witnesses who require language interpretation or sign language interpretation may use the form linked above or email the Labor Committee at labor@dccouncil.us; witnesses should submit their requests as soon as possible, but no later than 5:00 p.m. on Wednesday, November 11, 2020, stating their need for interpretation and requested language. The Council's Office of the Secretary will fulfill timely requests for language interpretation services; however, requests received later than November 11, 2020 may not be fulfilled due to vendor availability.

On Wednesday, November 18, the Committee will email witnesses who have signed up by the deadline to provide them with details about how to participate in the hearing via the Zoom platform. Only witnesses who have signed up by the deadline will be permitted to participate. Those wishing to testify are encouraged to submit an electronic copy of written testimony by 12:00 p.m. on Wednesday, November 18, 2020, so that staff may distribute testimonies to Committee members and staff in advance. Witnesses representing organizations will have five minutes to present their testimony. Other individuals will have three minutes to present their testimony; less time will be allowed if there are a large number of witnesses.

If anyone is unable to testify live at the hearing, written statements will be made a part of the official record. Written statements should be submitted by email to labor@dccouncil.us. Additionally, the public may provide testimony by voice mail by calling (202) 455-0153, stating and spelling the witness's name, stating any organizational affiliation, and speaking slowly to provide a statement to be transcribed and included in the record. The record will close at 5:00 p.m. on Thursday, December 3, 2020.