


Councilmember Kenyan R. McDuffie

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A BILL

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IN THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

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Councilmember Kenyan R. McDuffie introduced the following bill, which was referred to the Committee on _____.

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To amend An Act Authorizing the sale of certain real estate in the District of Columbia no longer required for public purposes to require a public hearing in all affected communities during the surplus and disposition process of District-owned land.

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BE IT ENACTED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, That this act may be cited as the “Fairness in Public Engagement During Sale of Public Lands Amendment Act of 2015”.

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Sec. 2. Section 1 of An Act authorizing the sale of certain real estate in the District of Columbia no longer required for public purposes, approved August 5, 1939 (53 Stat. 1211; D.C. Official Code § 10-801), is amended as follows:

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(a) Subsection (a-1)(4) is amended to read as follows:

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“(a-1)(4) Before submitting a proposed resolution pursuant to this subsection, the Mayor shall hold at least one public hearing on the finding that the real property is no longer required for public purposes. To the extent that proposed redevelopment occurs off site of the real property, the Mayor shall hold at least one public hearing to inform the affected community of

28 such proposed redevelopment. The hearing shall be held at an accessible evening or weekend
29 time and in an accessible location in the vicinity of the real property and, as applicable, the
30 proposed redevelopment. The Mayor shall provide at least 30 days notice to Advisory
31 Neighborhood Commissions of the public hearing(s) and shall publicize the hearing(s) by
32 placing a notice in the District of Columbia Register at least 15 days before the hearing(s).”.

33 Sec. 3. Fiscal impact statement.

34 The Council adopts the fiscal impact statement of the Chief Financial Officer as the fiscal
35 impact statement required by section 602(c)(3) of the District of Columbia Home Rule Act,
36 approved December 24, 1973 (87 Stat. 813; D.C. Official Code § 1-206.02(c)(3)).

37 Sec. 4. Effective date.

38 This act shall take effect following approval by the Mayor (or in the event of veto by the
39 Mayor, action by the Council to override the veto), a 30-day period of Congressional review as
40 provided in section 602(c)(1) of the District of Columbia Home Rule Act, approved December
41 24, 1973 (87 Stat. 813; D.C. Official Code § 1-206.02(c)(1)), and publication in the District of
42 Columbia Register.