A BILL

21-287

IN THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

To establish a Youth Apprenticeship Advisory Committee within the Department of Employment Services, to provide for the composition, terms, and duties of the committee, and to require the committee to submit an annual report of its findings and recommendations to the Council.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, That this act may be cited as the “Youth Apprenticeship Advisory Committee Amendment Act of 2016”.

Sec. 2. An Act To provide for voluntary apprenticeship in the District of Columbia, approved May 21, 1946 (60 Stat. 204; D.C. Official Code § 32-1401 et seq.), is amended by adding a new section 12a to read as follows:

“Sec. 12a. Youth Apprenticeship Advisory Committee.

“(a) There is established within the Department of Employment Services a Youth Apprenticeship Advisory Committee. The members of the Committee shall be appointed by the Mayor in accordance with section 2(f) of the Confirmation Act of 1978, effective March 3, 1979 (D.C. Law 2-142; D.C. Official Code § 1-523.01(f)).

“(b) The Committee shall be composed of 11 members, as follows:

“(1) Two representatives from the Apprenticeship Council;

“(2) One employer whose business has an apprenticeship program;

“(3) One representative from the University of the District of Columbia
“(4) One representative from the Office of the State Superintendent of Education;
“(5) One individual who holds a doctoral degree and specializes in labor economics with expertise in national and international apprenticeship systems;
“(6) One representative of a nonprofit organization who is involved with employee training and workforce development;
“(7) One representative from a local business organization;
“(8) One representative from a local business trade association;
“(9) One representative from a labor organization; and
“(10) One representative from the Workforce Investment Council.
“(c)(1) The Mayor shall designate the chairperson of the Committee.
“(2)(A) Members of the Committee shall be appointed to 3-year terms, from the date of appointment, or until a successor has been appointed; provided, that no person shall serve in a hold-over capacity for longer than 180 days after the expiration of the term to which that person was appointed.
“(B) A Committee member may be reappointed.
“(C) A person appointed to fill a vacancy occurring prior to the expiration of a predecessor’s term shall be appointed for the remainder of that term.
“(d) The Committee shall:
“(1) Based on a systematic review of relevant data, evaluate the effectiveness of youth apprenticeship programs in:
“(A) The District of Columbia;

“(B) States and municipalities; and

“(C) Other countries.

“(2) Review and identify:

“(A) Ways to implement high school youth apprenticeship programs in the

District of Columbia;

“(B) The means through which employers and organizations can obtain

grants, tax credits, or other subsidies to support the establishment and operation of high school

youth apprenticeship programs; and

“(C) The number of apprenticeship opportunities for youth that the District

of Columbia needs to reach over the next 3 years; and

3) On or before December 1 of each year, submit a report of its findings and

recommendations to the Council of the District of Columbia.

“(c) For the purposes of this section, the term “Committee” means the Youth

Apprenticeship Advisory Committee established by this section.

Sec. 3. Conforming amendment.

Section 2(f) of the Confirmation Act of 1978, effective March 3, 1979 (D.C. Law 2-142;

D.C. Official Code § 1-523.01(f)), is amended as follows:

(a) Paragraph (52) is amended by striking the word “and” at the end.

(b) Paragraph (53) is amended by striking the period at the end and inserting the phrase

“; and” in its place.
(c) A new paragraph (54) is added to read as follows:

“(54) Youth Apprenticeship Advisory Committee, established by the Youth Apprenticeship Advisory Committee Amendment Act of 2015, as introduced on June 30, 2015 (Bill 21-287).”.

Sec. 4. Fiscal impact statement.


Sec. 5. Effective date.

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