
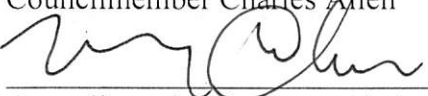
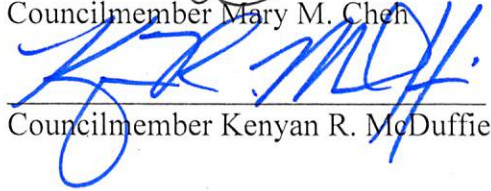
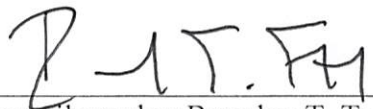

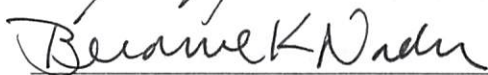


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24 To amend the District of Columbia Traffic Act of 1925 to specify the questions relating to
25 bicyclists that the Department of Motor Vehicles is required to quiz driver license
26 applicants about on the driver's license examination and to establish a public outreach
27 campaign aimed at educating the public and raising awareness related to automobile-
28 bicycle related injuries and fatalities.
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30 BE IT ENACTED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, That this
31 act may be cited as the "Cyclist Safety Campaign Amendment Act of 2019".

32 Sec. 2. The District of Columbia Traffic Act of 1925, approved March 3, 1925 (43 Stat.
33 1121; D.C. Official Code § 50-1401.01), is amended as follows:

34 (a) Section 7(a)(1) (D.C. Official Code § 50-1401.01(a)(1)) is amended as follows:

35 (1) Subparagraph (B)(i) is amended by striking the word "bicyclists" and inserting
36 the phrase "bicyclists (including but not limited to, examining an applicant's knowledge on
37 giving bicyclists 3 feet of space, employing the Dutch method to open a car door, and yielding to
38 bicyclists when turning)" in its place.

1 (2) A new subparagraph (B-i) is added to read as follows:

2 “(B-i) For the purposes of subparagraph (B) of this paragraph, the term
3 ‘Dutch method’ means using the hand further from a car door handle to lift the handle to the car
4 door and looking over one’s shoulder to ensure the door may be opened safely.”.

5 (b) A new section 7c is added to read as follows:

6 “Sec. 7c. Public outreach program.

7 “(a) The District Department of Transportation (“DDOT”), in conjunction with the
8 Metropolitan Police Department, the District of Columbia Department of Motor Vehicles,
9 Department of Public Works, and the Washington Area Bicyclist Association shall conduct a
10 public outreach campaign (“campaign”) that emphasizes zero-tolerance for automobile-bicycle
11 related injuries and fatalities.

12 “(b) Within six months after the effective date of the Cyclist Safety Campaign
13 Amendment Act of 2019, as introduced on May 7, 2019, DDOT shall establish a campaign,
14 including education forums in each ward, aimed at educating the public and raising awareness
15 related to automobile-bicycle related injuries and fatalities.

16 “(c) In establishing the campaign, DDOT shall seek the input of community organizations,
17 nonprofit organizations, and advocacy groups related to automobile-bicycle related injuries and
18 fatalities.

19 “(d) The campaign shall include information about traffic safety, sharing the road, and the
20 danger of open doors to bicyclists.”.

21 Sec. 3. Fiscal impact statement.

1 The Council adopts the fiscal impact statement in the committee report as the fiscal
2 impact statement required by section 4a of the General Legislative Procedures Act of 1975,
3 approved October 16, 2006 (120 Stat. 2038; D.C. Official Code § 1-301.47a).

4 Sec. 4. Effective date.

5 The act shall take effect following approval by the Mayor (or in the event of veto by the
6 Mayor, action by the Council to override the veto), a 30-day period of congressional review as
7 provided in section 602(c)(1) of the District of Columbia Home Rule Act, approved December
8 24, 1973, (87 Stat. 813; D.C. Official Code § 1-206.02(c)(1)), and publication in the District of
9 Columbia Register.