

COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

NOTICE

D.C. LAW 7-227

"Commission on Youth Affairs Act of 1988".

Pursuant to Section 412 of the District of Columbia Self-Government and Governmental Reorganization Act, P. L. 93-198, "the Act", the Council of the District of Columbia adopted Bill No. 7-458 on first and second readings November 29, 1988, and December 13, 1988, respectively. Following the signature of the Mayor on January 6, 1989, this legislation was assigned Act No. 7-302 published in the January 20, 1989, edition of the D.C. Register, (Vol. 36 page 607) and transmitted to Congress on January 23, 1989 for a 30-day review, in accordance with Section 602(c)(1) of the Act.

The Council of the District of Columbia hereby gives notice that the 30-day Congressional Review Period has expired, and therefore, cites this enactment as D.C. Law 7-227, effective March 16, 1989.

DAVID A. CLARKE  
Chairman to the Council

Dates Counted During the 30-day Congressional Review Period:

January	24,25,26,27,30,31
February	1,2,3,6,7,8,9,21,22,23,24,27,28
March	1,2,3,6,7,8,9,10,13,14,15

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Codification,  
New Chapter 26A,  
District of Columbia Code  
(1989 Supp.)

AN ACT

D.C. ACT 7 - 302

IN THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

JAN 06 1989

To establish a permanent youth commission to advise the District of Columbia government on policy, planning, and the implementation of existing and new programs that affect any person under 21 years of age in the District of Columbia and serve as an advocate for youth and youth programs and services in the District of Columbia.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, That this act may be cited as the "Commission on Youth Affairs Act of 1988".

Sec. 2. Definitions.

For the purposes of this act, the term:

New, Section  
1-2606.1

(1) "Commission" means the District of Columbia Commission on Youth Affairs established by section 3.

(2) "Committee" means the interdepartmental advisory committee established by section 6.

(3) "Youth" means any person under 21 years of age.

(4) "Youth program" means a youth service project or youth recreational project administered by a District of Columbia government agency.

Sec. 3. Commission on Youth Affairs established.

New, Section  
1-2601.2

(a) There is established a District of Columbia Commission on Youth Affairs to be comprised of 21 members. Two members shall be appointed by the Chairperson of the Council Committee on Education and Libraries, 1 of whom shall be between the ages of 16 and 21 at the time of the appointment. Three members shall be appointed by the Chairperson of the Council Committee on Human Services, 1 of whom shall be between the ages of 16 and 21 at the time of the appointment. Two members shall be appointed by the Chairperson of the Council, 1 of whom shall be between the ages of 16 and 21 at the time of the appointment. Two

members shall be appointed by the Chairperson of the Council Committee on the Judiciary, 1 of whom shall be between the ages of 16 and 21 at the time of the appointment. Twelve members shall be appointed by the Mayor in accordance with subsection (b) of this section. The Mayor shall appoint the chairperson of the Commission.

(b) The Mayor and the Council shall, when possible, make appointments to the Commission from persons serving on District youth advisory bodies, and experts in the areas of health, substance abuse, child welfare, social services, youth programs, policy development, and community, business, and religious organizations.

(c) The chairperson of the Commission shall be appointed for a term of 2 years. Each member over the age of 21 shall be appointed for a term of 2 years. Each youth member shall be appointed for a term of 1 year.

(d) The Superintendent of the public schools of the District of Columbia ("District"), or his or her designee, shall serve as an ex officio member of the Commission.

(e) The appointment of a member shall terminate if the member becomes a resident of a jurisdiction other than the District.

(f) A vacancy on the Commission shall be filled in the same manner that the original appointment was made.

Sec. 4. Powers and duties of the Commission.

New, Section  
1-2601.3

(a) The Commission shall:

(1) Study all matters relating to existing and future programs provided by District government agencies for youth;

(2) Examine the underlying policies, planning, and implementation of all youth programs administered or financed by District government agencies;

(3) Examine the effectiveness of the delivery of services in youth programs;

(4) Scrutinize the use of District and federal funds in youth programs;

(5) Recommend new services for youth in areas such as the prevention of juvenile delinquency, teenage pregnancy, drug and alcohol deterrence and abuse, HIV infection and AIDS, teenage suicide, and youth employment;

(6) Obtain information regarding the enforcement of local and federal laws that pertain to the protection and welfare of youth including laws on truancy, runaways, and youth employment;

(7) Promote coordination and cooperation between youth programs administered by District government agencies and programs sponsored by private and community organizations;

(8) Advocate for youth and youth programs;

(9) Promote social services, vocational guidance, training, and placement of youth who require these services, and promote the establishment of adequate facilities for youth in need of special supervision; and

(10) Monitor and coordinate information and services for all District government and private sector youth programs and services.

(b) A list of programs to be studied during the year shall be published at the beginning of each year. Nothing in this section shall prohibit the Commission from making changes to the list of programs to be studied.

Sec. 5. Donations and grants.

The Commission may receive donations and grants to promote the work of the Commission. The donations and grants shall be held in trust for the designated purpose.

New, Section  
1-2601.4

Sec. 6. Interdepartmental advisory committee.

(a) There is established an interdepartmental advisory committee to assist the Commission. The committee shall consist of District government agency directors who administer youth programs or the designee of a director.

(b) The Executive Director of the Commission established in section 8(a) shall be a member and chairperson of the Committee.

(c) The Committee shall convene when the chairperson deems it necessary and appropriate.

(d) The Committee shall respond to each inquiry made by the Commission.

(e) The members of the Committee shall serve without compensation.

New, Section  
1-2601.5

Sec. 7. Expenses of Commission Members.

Members of the Commission shall receive expenses as provided in section 1108 of the District of Columbia Government Comprehensive Merit Personnel Act of 1978, effective March 3, 1979 (D.C. Law 2-139; D.C. Code, sec. 1-612.8).

New, Section  
1-2601.6

Sec. 8. Staffing and budget.

(a) The Mayor shall appoint an executive director and other staff as may be necessary and appropriate to assist the Commission in carrying out its duties.

(b) The Mayor shall provide sufficient office space for the Commission.

(c) The Mayor shall, in his annual budget authorization request to the Council, request an annual fiscal year budget appropriation to enable the Commission to carry out its duties pursuant to this act.

New, Section  
1-2601.7

Sec. 9. Biannual reports.

New, Section  
1-2601.9

Every 2 years, on or before January 15th, the Commission shall submit to the Mayor and to the Council, a comprehensive report containing specific recommendations for appropriate budgetary, legislative, or regulatory action.

Sec. 10. Rules.

New, Section  
1-2601.9

The Mayor shall, pursuant to title 1 of the District of Columbia Administrative Procedure Act, approved October 21, 1968 (82 Stat. 1204; D.C. Code, sec. 1-1501 et seq.), issue rules to implement the provisions of this act.

Sec. 11. This act shall take effect after a 30-day period of Congressional review following approval by the Mayor (or in the event of veto by the Mayor, action by the Council of the District of Columbia to override the veto) as provided in section 602(c)(1) of the District of Columbia Self-Government and Governmental Reorganization Act, approved December 24, 1973 (87 Stat. 813; D.C. Code, sec. 1-233(c)(1)).

Chairman  
Council of the District of Columbia

  
Mayor  
District of Columbia  
APPROVED: January 6, 1988



**COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA**  
Council Period Seven

**RECORD OF OFFICIAL COUNCIL VOTE**

DOCKET NO: B7-458

Item on Consent Calendar

ACTION & DATE: Adopted First Reading, 11-29-88

VOICE VOTE: Approved

Recorded vote on request

Absent: Rolark

ROLL CALL VOTE: — RESULT \_\_\_\_\_

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CRAWFORD					RAY					WILSON				
JARVIS					ROLARK					WINTER				
KANE					SCHWARTZ									
MASON					SMITH, JR.									

X — Indicates Vote      A.B. — Absent      N.V. — Present, not voting

**CERTIFICATION RECORD**

Secretary to the Council

12-23-88  
Date

Item on Consent Calendar

ACTION & DATE: Adopted Final Reading, 12-13-88

VOICE VOTE: Approved

Recorded vote on request

Absent: Wilson and Smith

ROLL CALL VOTE: — RESULT \_\_\_\_\_

COUNCIL MEMBER	AYE	NAY	N.V.	A.B.	COUNCIL MEMBER	AYE	NAY	N.V.	A.B.	COUNCIL MEMBER	AYE	NAY	N.V.	A.B.
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