

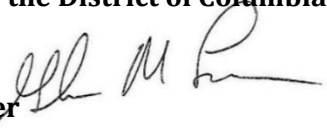
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MEMORANDUM

TO: The Honorable Phil Mendelson
Chairman, Council of the District of Columbia

FROM: Glen Lee
Chief Financial Officer 

DATE: November 12, 2025

SUBJECT: Fiscal Impact Statement – Streatery Program Endorsements and
Protest Process Amendment Act of 2025

REFERENCE: Bill 26-147, Draft Committee Print as provided to the Office of Revenue
Analysis on October 10, 2025

Conclusion

Funds are sufficient in the fiscal year 2026 through fiscal year 2029 budget and financial plan to implement the bill.

Background

The Alcoholic Beverage and Cannabis Administration (ABCA) permits certain licensed establishments to offer food and beverage consumption on-site in dining or seating space located in outdoor public or private spaces such as a sidewalk café, streatery,¹ or summer garden. The bill provides the structure for ABCA to issue a streatery endorsement to a licensed on-premises retailer or manufacturer with an on-site sales and consumption permit. It also authorizes ABCA to issue a streatery license to a Washington Convention and Sports Authority food and beverage business.² These endorsements and licenses will be available beginning January 1, 2026. The bill requires the businesses to pay a \$100 annual fee, be located in a commercial or mixed-use zone, and maintain a streatery separate from other businesses. A business currently operating a streatery, summer garden, or sidewalk café must apply for an endorsement or license prior to December 31, 2025 to

¹ A streatery is the occupancy and use of a portion of a roadway or alley for outdoor dining purposes. A business with a streatery must have valid permits and certificates issued by the District Department of Transportation and the Department of Buildings.

² These are businesses with commercial street frontage under the jurisdiction of the Washington Convention and Sports Authority that sell food and are approved to sell alcoholic beverages.

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continue these operations after January 1st, while the ABCA Board renders a decision on the application. The ABCA Board will also establish hours of operations for streatery endorsements and licenses.

The bill ensures that the application for a streatery endorsement or license is treated as a substantial change in operations, requiring ABCA Board notices³ and allowing for persons with standing to protest⁴ the applications.

Financial Plan Impact

Funds are sufficient in the fiscal year 2026 through fiscal year 2029 budget and financial plan to implement the bill. ABCA can carry out its licensing and oversight requirements as established in the bill within the agency's existing budgeted resources.

³ D.C. Official Code § 25-421.

⁴ D.C. Official Code § 25-601.