



# Yvette Alexander

## Making Ward 7 One

### LEGISLATIVE NOTES

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## Legislative Actions as of July 2011

### COMMITTEE ASSIGNMENTS

- **Public Services and Consumer Affairs,**  
*Chairperson*
- **Environment, Public Works and Transportation**  
*Member*
- **Health,** *Member*
- **Human Services,**  
*Member*
- **Aging and Community Affairs,**  
*Member*

### Introduced and Co-Introduced

Bill 19-0319 – **HEAT WAVE SAFETY EMERGENCY AMENDMENT ACT OF 2011** – To amend, on an emergency basis, the Retail Electric Competition and Consumer Protection Act of 1999 to prohibit the electric company from disconnecting residential electric service when the heat index is forecasted to be 95 degrees Fahrenheit or above.

Bill 19-0321 – **HEAT WAVE SAFETY AMENDMENT ACT OF 2011** – To amend the Retail Electric Competition and Consumer Protection Act of 1999 to prohibit the electric company from disconnecting residential electric service when the heat index is forecasted to be 95 degrees Fahrenheit or above.

Bill 19-0329 – **CBE PARTICIPATION IN LOTTERY SERVICES CONTRACTS REQUIREMENT AMENDMENT ACT OF 2011** – To amend the Law to Legalize Lotteries, Daily Numbers Games, and Bingo and Raffles for Charitable Purposes to provide for at least 50% participation by certified business enterprises in any contracts for lottery services.

Bill 19-0330 – **ACCESS TO SELECTIVE SERVICE REGISTRATION AMENDMENT ACT OF 2011** – To amend The District of Columbia Traffic Act of 1925 to require that all men between 18 and 25 years of age shall register with the Selective Service when they obtain or renew their driver's licenses.

Bill 19-0331 – **FUNERAL SERVICES REGULATORY AMENDMENT ACT OF 2011** – To amend the District of Columbia Funeral Services Regulatory Act of 1984 to recognize and adhere to the requirements of the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2006 with respect to the designation of the person who will gain the authority to direct the disposition of the remains of the military service member in the event that the service member dies in the line of duty.

Bill 19-0332 – **MILITARY PARENTS’ CHILD CUSTODY AND VISITATION RIGHTS ACT OF 2011** – To amend Title 16 of the District of Columbia Official Code to grant deploying military parents judicial protections of child custody and visitation rights during periods of actual or imminent deployment.

Bill 19-0333 – **SUPPORT FOR SERVICE-DISABLED VETERAN-OWNED BUSINESSES ACT OF 2011** – To amend the Small, Local, and Disadvantaged Business Enterprise Development and Assistance Act of 2005 to include a bid preference for service-disabled veterans-owned businesses and a percentage reduction in price for veterans and service-disabled veterans in the programs for certified business enterprises.

Bill 19-0334 – **BONDS INVESTMENT OPPORTUNITIES ACT OF 2011** – To require the Chief Financial Officer, in consultation with the Mayor, to examine and present an array of opportunities for District residents to purchase District of Columbia Bonds, which shall be exempt from District interest income taxation.

Bill 19-0360 – **LONG-TERM CARE OMBUDSMAN PROGRAM AMENDMENT ACT OF 2011** – To amend the District of Columbia Long-Term Care Ombudsman Program Act of 1988 to update the language of the Act, to include Long-term care services as services received at a long-term care facility and services provided to residents in the community who need nursing home level of care and receive home health care as defined by 44-501(a)(7) through the Medicaid Elderly and Physically Disabled (EPD) Waiver.

Bill 19-0384 – **DISTRIBUTED GENERATION EMERGENCY AMENDMENT ACT OF 2011** – To amend, on an emergency basis, the Renewable Energy Portfolio Act of 2004 to establish requirements for energy suppliers to obtain credits from distributed solar generation systems serving the District of Columbia and to prevent contractual impairment issues that may arise from contracts containing clauses anticipating change of law.

Bill 19-0424 – **DISTRICT DOMICILE REQUIREMENT AMENDMENT ACT OF 2011** – To amend the District of Columbia Government Comprehensive Merit Personnel Act of 1978 to require all newly-hired District employees in the Career Service and the Educational Service paid at a rate equivalent to or above CS 12 to be domiciled in the District of Columbia at the time of hire, or to become domiciled within 180-days and remain domiciled in the District for at least 7 years after date of hire.

Bill 19-0430 – **THE PARK 7 AT MINNESOTA-BENNING TAX ABATEMENT ACT OF 2011** – To amend Chapter 46 of Title 47 of the District of Columbia Official Code to abate the imposition of taxes on certain real property known as The Park 7 at Minnesota-Benning.

Bill 19-0431 – **THE NANNIE HELEN AT 4800 TAX ABATEMENT ACT OF 2011** – To amend Chapter 46 of Title 47 of the District of Columbia Official Code to abate the imposition of taxes on certain real property known as The Nannie Helen at 4800.

Bill 19-0383 – **CLOSING OF A PORTION OF THE PUBLIC ALLEY IN SQUARE 5148, S.O. 10-01784, EMERGENCY ACT OF 2011** – To close, on an emergency basis, a portion of the public alley system in Square

5148, bounded by Nannie Helen Burroughs Avenue, N.E., 48th Street, N.E., Hayes Street, N.E., and 49th Street, N.E. in Northeast Washington, D.C. in Ward 7.

Bill 19-0335 – ***CLOSING OF A PORTION OF THE PUBLIC ALLEY IN SQUARE 22 5052, S.O. 10-00603, ACT OF 2011*** – To order the closing of a portion of the public alley system in Square 5052, bounded by Minnesota Avenue, N.E., Benning Road, N.E., Square 5053, and railroad tracks, in Ward 7.

Bill 19-0433 – ***MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR. DRIVE DESIGNATION EMERGENCY ACT OF 2011*** – To symbolically designate, on an emergency basis, the public street starting on the corner of Martin Luther King Ave. Jr., S.E. and Good Hope Road, S.E., moving across the 11th street bridge, across the S.E. freeway, across the S.W. freeway, onto Maine Ave, S.W., and ending on the corner of 23rd Street, S.W. and Independence Ave., S.W., as “Martin Luther King Jr. Drive”.

Bill 19-0443 – ***THE ELIZABETH MINISTRY, INC. AFFORDABLE HOUSING INITIATIVE REAL PROPERTY TAX RELIEF ACT OF 2011*** – To amend Chapter 46 of Title 47 of the District of Columbia Official Code to exempt from taxation certain property owned by The Elizabeth Ministry, Inc., which is to be used to provide affordable housing for teen mothers in foster care or homeless, and to provide equitable real property tax relief for The Elizabeth Ministry, Inc.

Bill 19-0362 – ***CARVER 2000 LOW-INCOME AND SENIOR HOUSING PROJECT EMERGENCY AMENDMENT ACT OF 2011*** – To amend, on an emergency basis, the “Carver 2000 Low-Income and Senior Housing Project Act of 2005” to extend, for an additional ten years, the effective date for the real property tax exemption granted therein and to clarify the lot designations of the affected properties.

Bill 19-0437 – ***CARVER 2000 LOW-INCOME AND SENIOR HOUSING PROJECT AMENDMENT ACT OF 2011*** – To amend Chapter 46 of Title 47 of the District of Columbia Official Code to extend tax and fee waivers and exemptions for the Carver 2000 Low-Income and Senior Housing Project located in various lots within squares 5190, and 5348.

Bill 19-0411 – ***CARVER 2000 LOW-INCOME AND SENIOR HOUSING PROJECT AMENDMENT EMERGENCY ACT OF 2011*** – To amend, on an emergency basis, Chapter 46 of Title 47 of the District of Columbia Official Code to extend tax and fee waivers and exemptions for the Carver 2000 Low-Income and Senior Housing Project located in various lots within squares 5190 and 5348.

Ceremonial Resolution 19-0073 – ***WOMEN AND GIRLS DAY AT THE ST. TIMOTHY'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH RECOGNITION RESOLUTION OF 2011***

Ceremonial Resolution 19-0075 – ***NATIONAL WOMEN'S HEALTH WEEK RECOGNITION RESOLUTION OF 2011***

Ceremonial Resolution 19-0080 – ***UNITED BLACK FUND, INC. RECOGNITION RESOLUTION OF 2011***

Ceremonial Resolution 19-0082 – ***NATIONAL GET OUTDOORS DAY RECOGNITION RESOLUTION OF 2011***

## Co-Sponsored

B19-0355 – PUBLIC ASSISTANCE CLARIFICATION AMENDMENT ACT OF 2011

B19-0356 – COMPREHENSIVE MILITARY AND OVERSEAS VOTERS ACCOMMODATION AMENDMENT ACT OF  
2011

B19-0426 – UUV AMENDMENT ACT OF 2011

B19-0428 – DOC INMATE PROCESSING AND RELEASE AMENDMENT ACT OF 2011

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#### About Ward7

Ward 7 sits on the most eastern part of the city. It is composed of 29 neighborhoods, over 72,000 people and has the largest number of children living within its boundaries. There is one public high school, H.D. Woodson Senior High, and several public charter high schools including Cesar Chavez and Friendship Collegiate Academy. The Ward has over 25 public and public charter elementary and middle schools. Ward 7 is surrounded by the Anacostia River on the west, Prince Georges County, Maryland on the north and east, and Ward 8 on the south. Some of the oldest communities in the District are in Ward 7, including Deanwood and Kenilworth.