



## HEARING NOTES

Council Bill: 24-0568

### Community Relations Commission - Powers and Duties - Complaint Period

**Committee:** Education, Workforce, and Youth

**Chaired by:** Councilman Robert Stokes, Sr

**Hearing Date:**

**Time (Beginning):** 10:03 AM

**Time (Ending):** 10:45 AM

**Location:** Council Chambers

**Total Attendance:** Approximately 15

**Committee Members in Attendance:**

Robert Stokes Sharon Green Middleton

Phylicia Porter James Torrence

Bill Synopsis in the file? .....	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> YES	<input type="checkbox"/> NO	<input type="checkbox"/> N/A
Attendance sheet in the file? .....	<input type="checkbox"/> YES	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> NO	<input type="checkbox"/> N/A
Agency reports read? .....	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> YES	<input type="checkbox"/> NO	<input type="checkbox"/> N/A
Hearing televised or audio-digitally recorded?.....	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> YES	<input type="checkbox"/> NO	<input type="checkbox"/> N/A
Certification of advertising/posting notices in the file? .....	<input type="checkbox"/> YES	<input type="checkbox"/> NO	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> N/A
Evidence of notification to property owners? .....	<input type="checkbox"/> YES	<input type="checkbox"/> NO	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> N/A
Final vote taken at this hearing? .....	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> YES	<input type="checkbox"/> NO	<input type="checkbox"/> N/A
Motioned by: .....	Porter		
Seconded by:.....	Torrence		
Final Vote: .....	Favorable		

### Major Speakers

(This is not an attendance record.)

- Ty'lor Schnella, Representative, Mayors Office

### Major Issues Discussed



1. Extension of the Complaint Filing Period: The main issue was the proposal to extend the current complaint period for unlawful practices from 180 days to 300 days. This change would align the Baltimore City law with the Maryland State Commission on Civil Rights and the federal counterpart.
2. Process and Timeline Explanation: Ty’lor Schnella from the Mayor’s Office explained that the bill seeks to adjust the timeline for the CRC’s investigation of complaints. The bill’s primary goal is to give individuals more time to file complaints, thereby making them more viable.

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**Further Study**

**Was further study requested?**

☐ Yes    ☒ No

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**Committee Vote:**

R. Stokes:..... Yea  
J. Bullock: ..... Absent  
Z. Cohen: ..... Absent  
A. Glover: ..... Absent  
S. Middleton: ..... Yea  
J. Torrence: ..... Yea  
P. Porter: ..... Yea

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Date: November 7, 2024

**BALTIMORE CITY COUNCIL  
EDUCATION, WORKFORCE, AND YOUTH COMMITTEE  
VOTING RECORD**

**Council Bill #: 24-0568 DATE: November 7, 2024**

**TITLE:** Community Relations Commission - Powers and Duties - Complaint Period

**MOTION BY:** Porter **SECONDED BY:** Torrence

☒ **FAVORABLE**

☐ **FAVORABLE WITH AMENDMENTS**

☐ **UNFAVORABLE**

☐ **WITHOUT RECOMMENDATION**

NAME	YEAS	NAYS	ABSENT	ABSTAIN
Stokes, R, Chair	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Bullock, J.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Glover, A.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Cohen, Z. <u>Excused</u>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Middleton, S.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Porter, P.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Torrence, J.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<b>TOTALS</b>				

**CHAIR:** Robert Stokes x

Robert Stokes

**COMMITTEE STAFF:** Deontre Hayes, Initials: DH

# City of Baltimore

City Council  
City Hall, Room 408  
100 North Holliday Street  
Baltimore, Maryland 21202

## Meeting Minutes - Final

### Education Workforce and Youth

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Thursday, November 7, 2024

10:00 AM Virtual/Du Burns Chambers, City Hall, 4th Floor, Phone:  
+1-408-418-9388, Access Code: 2347 729 3165, Password:  
Public, Link: [https://bmore.webex.com/bmore/j.php?](https://bmore.webex.com/bmore/j.php?MTID=mb7109ff6c1d82823cb877c3f16cef0d5)  
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#### **CALL TO ORDER**

#### **INTRODUCTIONS**

#### **ATTENDANCE**

**Present** 4 - Robert Stokes Sr., Sharon Green Middleton, Phylicia Porter, and James Torrence

**Excused** 1 - Zeke Cohen

**Absent** 2 - John T. Bullock, and Antonio Glover

#### **ITEMS SCHEDULED FOR PUBLIC HEARING**

[24-0568](#)

##### **Community Relations Commission - Powers and Duties - Complaint Period**

For the purpose of increasing the time within which complaints of unlawful practices must be filed with the Community Relations Commission; making certain related amendments; and providing for a special effective date.

**Sponsors:** Phylicia Porter, City Council President (Administration), Odette Ramos, Kristerfer Burnett, Robert Stokes, Sr., John T. Bullock, Sharon Green Middleton, Mark Conway

**A motion was made by Porter, seconded by Torrence, that this Ordinance be Recommended Favorably. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Yes:** 4 - Stokes Sr., Middleton, Porter, and Torrence

**Absent:** 2 - Bullock, and Glover

#### **ADJOURNMENT**