

THE DEPARTMENT OF MOTOR VEHICLES

Bill 19-0291, “Pedestrian Safety Reinforcement Act of 2011”



**Testimony of
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**Before the
Committee on Public Works and Transportation
Tommy Wells, Chairperson**

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Good Afternoon, Chairperson Wells, Committee members, Council members, and your staffs. My name is Lucinda Babers, and I am the Director of the District's Department of Motor Vehicles.

I am here today in regards to Bill B19-0291, the "Pedestrian Safety Reinforcement Amendment Act of 2011." The enrolled original version of the Pedestrian Safety Reinforcement Amendment Act of 2008 listed the Office of Administrative Hearings as the adjudicating agency. However, jurisdiction is more appropriate with the Department of Motor Vehicles, pursuant to the District of Columbia Traffic Adjudication Act of 1978, effective September 12, 1978, in that DMV has authority over adjudication of moving violations and assessment of points on driving records. Therefore, this proposed 2011 Amendment Act would make this necessary change.

This concludes my testimony. I'm happy to respond to any questions you may have for me.

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