

**Testimony by Commissioner Bob Summersgill, ANC 3F07, on the
Testimony on Bill 20-461, "Marriage License Issuance Amendment Act of 2013"
Submitted for the record of the Committee on Judiciary and Public Safety
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I fully support this legislation and thank Councilmembers Tommy Wells and David Grosso for introducing the bill; and Councilmembers Catania, Cheh, and Evans for co-sponsoring it.

The Marriage License Issuance Amendment Act of 2013 simply repeals section 46-409: "A license to marry shall not be issued until 3 days have elapsed from date of application for issuance of said license."

There is no modern need or justification for the waiting period, if there ever was. This nuisance law is archaic and should be repealed.

Thank you.

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