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Councilmember Carol Schwartz

Councilmember Kwame R. Brown

Councilmember Marion Barry

Councilmember Harry Thomas, Jr.

A BILL

IN THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

Councilmember Brown introduced the following bill, which was referred to the
Committee on _____.

To provide for the installation of LED Message Boards on the outside front wall of the
John A. Wilson Building and the new baseball stadium to display the dollar amount of
federal taxes paid by District of Columbia residents.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA,
That this act may be cited as the “Taxation Without Representation Federal Tax Pay-Out
Message Board Installation Act of 2007”.

Sec. 2. Wilson Building.

(1) Notwithstanding any other law or regulation. The Council of the District
of Columbia shall install on the outside front wall of the John A. Wilson Building a
programmable LED Message Board sign showing the dollar amount of federal taxes paid
by the residents of the District of Columbia. The sign shall be large enough for the public
to easily read, and should be designed and placed in a location so as not to deter from the
architectural beauty of the exterior of the John A. Wilson Building.

1 (2) Design, purchase and installation of the sign shall be from funds already
2 allocated to the Council in Fiscal Year 2007 for the maintenance of the John A. Wilson
3 Building. Preference shall be given to a business certified as a LSDBE Enterprise by the
4 D.C. Department of Small and Local Business Development for the design, manufacture,
5 installation and maintenance of the sign.

6 Sec. 3. The new baseball stadium.

7 (1) Notwithstanding any other law or regulation. The Sports and
8 Entertainment Commission shall install on the outside front wall of the new baseball
9 stadium in Southeast Washington a programmable LED Message Board sign showing the
10 dollar amount of federal taxes paid by the residents of the District of Columbia. The sign
11 shall be large enough for the public to easily read, and should be designed and placed in a
12 location so as not to deter from the architectural beauty of the exterior of the stadium.

13 (2) Design, purchase and installation of the sign shall be from funds already
14 allocated for the exterior wall of the stadium.

15 Sec. 4. LSDBE Preference.

16 Preference shall be given to a business certified as a LSDBE Enterprise by the
17 D.C. Department of Small and Local Business Development for the design, manufacture,
18 installation and maintenance of the signs.

19 Sec. 5. Installation of the signs shall be accomplished within 30 days of
20 implementation of this act.

21 Sec. 6. Fiscal impact statement.

22 The Council adopts the fiscal impact statement in the committee report as the
23 fiscal impact statement required by section 602(c)(3) of the District of Columbia Home

1 Rule Act, approved December 24, 1973 (87 Stat. 813; D.C. Official Code Sec. 1-
2 206.02(c)(3)).

3 Sec. 7. Effective date.

4 This act shall take effect following approval by the Mayor (or in the event of veto
5 by the Mayor, action by the Council to override the veto), a 30-day period of
6 Congressional review as provided in section 602(c)(1) of the District of Columbia Home
7 Rule Act, approved December 24, 1973 (87 Stat. 813; D.C. Code § 1-206.02 (c)(1)), and
8 publication in the District of Columbia Register.

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