

GOVERNMENT OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA
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MEMORANDUM

TO: The Honorable Linda W. Cropp
Chairman, Council of the District of Columbia

FROM: Natwar M. Gandhi
Chief Financial Officer

DATE: July 31, 2002

SUBJECT: Fiscal Impact Statement: "HIV Unique Identifier System
Amendment Act of 2002"

REFERENCE: Bill Number 14-326 as Introduced

Conclusion

Funds are sufficient in the FY 2002 budget and the FY 2003 through FY 2006 budget and financial plan as currently agreed to by the Mayor and the Council of the District of Columbia to implement the proposed legislation because no additional staff or resources would be required.

Background

The proposed amendments to the District of Columbia Municipal Regulations would alter the alphanumeric code currently used to gather statistical data on HIV patients. It would require that HIV patients be identified and tracked with an alphanumeric code that does not include social security information with use for statistical and public health purposes. It would prohibit identifying information from being used to contact partners of HIV infected individuals or contact those individuals for treatment, counseling or care or to disclose the identity of a person with HIV or AIDS without the person's written permission.

Financial Plan Impact

Funds are sufficient in the FY 2002 budget and the FY 2003 through FY 2006 budget and financial plan to implement the proposed legislation because no additional staff or

resources would be required. The proposed legislation would make a minor change to a system currently being established with budgeted funds by the Department of Health.