

**GOVERNMENT OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA**  
**Office of the Chief Financial Officer**

Natwar M. Gandhi  
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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:** November 26, 2002

**SUBJECT:** Fiscal Impact Statement: "Unemployment Compensation Services Temporary Act of 2002"

**REFERENCE:** Emergency Legislation

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**Conclusion**

Funds are sufficient in the FY 2003 through FY 2006 budget and financial plan to approve the Unemployment Compensation Services Temporary Act of 2002. The Federal government would provide all necessary funds for the Department of Employment Services (DOES) to implement this Act; no DC General Fund revenue would be expended.

**Background**

DOES does not have sufficient staff to process the increase in claimants who filed claims for Temporary Extended Unemployment Compensation benefits after March 8, 2002. The proposed legislation would waive the five-year waiting period for a retiree's reemployment with the District who received an incentive payment under the Easy Out or Early Programs.

**Financial Plan Impact**

Funds are sufficient in the FY 2003 through FY 2006 budget and financial plan to approve the Unemployment Compensation Services Temporary Act of 2002. Federal funds appropriated for Temporary Extended Unemployment Compensation benefits would cover DOES's costs of processing the additional claims. DOES plans to rehire 10 retired examiners for six months at a DS-9 salary, at a cost of \$164,174, to process the

additional unemployment claims. The Federal government would reimburse DOES this amount. The 10 temporary employees would not be eligible to receive their District retirement benefits while they are employed by DOES.