

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: June 28, 2002

SUBJECT: Fiscal Impact Statement: "Office of Property Management
Establishment Amendment Act of 2002"

REFERENCE: Draft Legislation as Introduced - No Resolution Number
Available

Conclusion

Funds are sufficient in the FY 2002 budget and the FY 2003 through FY 2006 budget and financial plan as agreed to by the Mayor and the Council. No additional staff or resources will be required. The proposed legislation will not impact local General Fund revenue.

Background

The proposed legislation vests sole authority for property management and leasing in the Office of Property Management (OPM) and deletes outdated D.C. Code authority directly associated with these functions. Essentially, this bill provides statutory authority for existing District operations.

In addition, the proposed legislation will allow OPM under certain conditions to dispose of any District-owned property deemed surplus. The Mayor will have the authority to proceed with any such transaction if the District is to receive sale proceeds of at least 90 percent of the property's fair market value, and the total proceeds do not exceed \$1 million¹.

The proposed legislation also grants law enforcement powers to the existing Protective Services Police Department (PSPD). The legislation authorizes PSPD to provide law

¹ Transactions of \$1 million or more require the approval of the Council of the District of Columbia.

enforcement services concurrently with the Metropolitan Police Department with all like authority. Funds for these activities are in the FY 2002 and FY 2003 budgets.

Financial Plan Impact

Funds are sufficient in the FY 2002 budget and the proposed FY 2003 through FY 2006 budget and financial plan as agreed upon by the Mayor and the Council of the District of Columbia. Costs for title search and due diligence costs required by transactions described in the proposed legislation will be borne by the buyer. The Office of Corporation Counsel will perform all legal requirements and approve all transactions.

PSPD is currently performing the duties described by the proposed legislation. Implementing the proposed bill will not require any additional staff or resources nor impact local General Fund revenue.