

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: March 21, 2003

SUBJECT: Fiscal Impact Statement: "Lateral Senior Detectives Act of 2003"

REFERENCE: Bill 15-113 as Introduced

Conclusion

Funds are sufficient in the FY 2003 budget or the proposed FY 2004 through FY 2007 budget and financial plan because the proposed legislation is procedural and has no financial impact. The proposed legislation provides the Metropolitan Police Department (MPD) Office of Personnel a particular hiring authority that they currently do not have.

MPD is currently required to remain within their existing resources when making personnel decisions as are all District agencies. Anti-deficiency laws, 31USCA § 1341 (2000) and D.C. Official Code § 47-355.01 *et seq.* (2003), go so far as to prohibit District officers and employees from exceeding agency appropriations in any fiscal year.

Background

The proposed legislation would allow the District's Chief of Police to hire senior level retirees or people who have resigned their commissions from other jurisdictions. Under this bill new hires could only be considered if they have achieved at least the rank equivalent to District Metropolitan Police Department (MPD) Detective Grade II. New detectives entering into District service will receive pay and benefits of no less than Detective Class 3 Step 5 and shall not be eligible for longevity pay. The proposed legislation governs the standards by which an officer will be considered for their positions with the District MPD.

Financial Plan Impact

The proposed legislation has no financial impact and will not therefore effect budgetary expenditures or local General Fund revenue. The proposed legislation is procedural effecting only personnel decisions when hiring police officers.

The Chief Financial Officer's legislative fiscal analysis is prepared by the Special Projects and Fiscal Analysis Administration in the Office of Research and Analysis. Contact us at 441 4th Street, NW, Suite 400S, Washington D.C., 20001 or view our work on-line at <http://cfo.dc.gov>.