

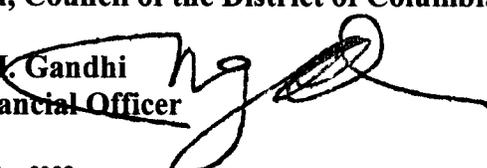
**Government of the District of Columbia
Office of the Chief Financial Officer**



Natwar M. Gandhi
Chief Financial Officer

MEMORANDUM

TO: The Honorable Vincent C. Gray
Chairman, Council of the District of Columbia

FROM: Natwar M. Gandhi 
Chief Financial Officer

DATE: JAN 22 2008

SUBJECT: Fiscal Impact Statement: "Hospital Licensing Proposed Rulemaking Approval Resolution of 2007"

REFERENCE: Draft Bill - No Number Available

Conclusion

Funds are sufficient in the FY 2008 through FY 2011 budget and financial plan to implement the proposed resolution.

Background

The proposed resolution would approve proposed rules to establish licensure, construction and operating standards for hospitals. Specifically, the proposed rules would update operating standards in areas such as patient care, patient nutrition, medication errors, and recordkeeping. The proposed regulations also include provisions on the Department of Health's enforcement authority to make it similar to that applied to other health care facilities.

Financial Plan Impact

Funds are sufficient in the FY 2008 through FY 2011 budget and financial plan to implement the proposed resolution. The Health Regulation and Licensing Administration in the Department of Health has indicated to the Office of the Chief Financial Officer that it can absorb implementation of the proposed rules with existing resources.