

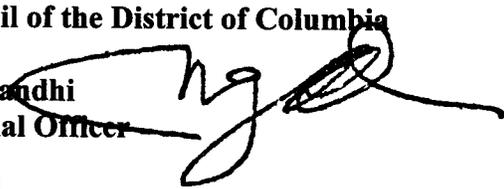
**Government of the District of Columbia  
Office of the Chief Financial Officer**



**Natwar M. Gandhi**  
Chief Financial Officer

**MEMORANDUM**

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

**FROM:** Natwar M. Gandhi  
Chief Financial Officer 

**DATE:** DEC 12 2008

**SUBJECT:** Fiscal Impact Statement: "Juvenile Arraignments on Inauguration Day Emergency Act of 2008"

**REFERENCE:** Draft – No Bill Number Available

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**Conclusion**

Funds are sufficient in the FY 2009 through FY 2012 budget and financial plan to implement the proposed legislation.

**Background**

The proposed legislation would amend D.C. Official Code § 16-2312 to provide that detention hearings in juvenile delinquency cases need not be commenced on Inauguration Day 2009 (January 20, 2009) and instead would be held not later than two days after an arrest. Therefore, a child arrested on January 19<sup>th</sup> would have a detention hearing on January 21<sup>st</sup>. The proposed bill is intended to ensure that District resources needed on Inauguration Day 2009, such as District police officers, are available for Inauguration assignments rather than having to report to court for detention hearings required by District Law.

**Financial Plan Impact**

Funds are sufficient in the FY 2009 through FY 2012 budget and financial plan to implement the proposed legislation. Implementation of the proposed legislation would not have an impact on the budget and financial plan. The Office of the Attorney General, which prepares juvenile cases for the Family Court of the Superior Court, has indicated to the Office of the Chief Financial Officer that implementation of the proposed bill could be absorbed with existing resources.