

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



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MEMORANDUM

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

FROM: Natwar M. Gandhi
Chief Financial Officer 

DATE: May 10, 2010

SUBJECT: Fiscal Impact Statement – “Shirley’s Place Equitable Real Property Tax Relief Act of 2009”

REFERENCE: Bill Number 18-520, As Introduced

Conclusion

Forgiving all real property taxes and related charges on Shirley’s Place would cost \$6,640.18 in FY 2010. There would be no additional costs for the remainder of the budget and financial plan period.

Background

The proposed legislation would forgive all outstanding real property taxes, interest, and other related charges assessed against the Capitol Hill Group Ministry, for tax years 1999, 2000, 2006 and 2008 on the real property located in Lot 0100 in Square 1043 and known as Shirley’s Place.

This property was acquired by Capitol Hill Ministry in November 1998 but the real property tax exemption application was not filed until April 2000.¹ Under the applicable law, the real property exemption can only be granted from the time the application was filed. Thus taxes that accrued on the property prior to the effective date of the exemption for tax years 1999 and 2000 were not exempt and remain due. These taxes and related interest make up the principal liabilities on the property.

¹ This application was approved.

Financial Plan Impact

Forgiving all real property taxes and related charges on Shirley's Place would cost \$6,640.18 in FY 2010. There would be no additional costs for the remainder of the budget and financial plan period.