

**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:** July 8, 2010

**SUBJECT:** Fiscal Impact Statement – “Commercial Driver’s License Approval Resolution of 2010”

**REFERENCE:** No Number Available – Draft Resolution to Be Introduced

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**Conclusion**

Funds are sufficient in the FY 2011 through FY 2014 budget and financial plan to implement the proposed resolution. The proposed resolution does not have an impact on the District’s budget and financial plan.

**Background**

The proposed resolution would approve the proposed rules to update the Commercial Driver’s License Regulations specified in Chapter 13 (Classification and Issuance of Commercial Driver’s Licenses) of the Title 18 (Vehicles and Traffic) of the District of Columbia Municipal Regulations. The proposed rules are required by the Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration to conform to the federal law.

The proposed rules would specify<sup>1</sup> the sources of evidence for disqualification from operating a commercial vehicle, such as an order or other judgment of a court, and administrative order, or a computer record obtained through the Commercial Driver’s License Information System; regulate employer authority over a commercial motor vehicle when the driver or the vehicle or the carrier operation is subject to an out-of-service order, or in violation of a federal or District law or regulation pertaining to railroad-highway grade crossing,<sup>2</sup> clarify time limits when issuing an initial or renewal Commercial Driver’s License; include new requirements about air-brake

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<sup>1</sup> New subsection 1306.14

<sup>2</sup> Subsections 1309.3 and 1309.4

component of the driving-skill test,<sup>3</sup> require all applicants for a Hazardous Material Endorsement to pass a security threat assessment,<sup>4</sup> and regulate<sup>5</sup> applications for the security threat assessment process.<sup>6</sup>

### **Financial Plan Impact**

Funds are sufficient in the FY 2011 through FY 2014 budget and financial plan to implement the proposed resolution. The proposed resolution does not have an impact on the District's budget and financial plan.

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<sup>3</sup> Subsection 1316.7

<sup>4</sup> Amend subsection 1328.1 and repeal subsection 1328.2

<sup>5</sup> New subsections 1328.4, 1328.5, and 1328.6

<sup>6</sup> Additionally, the proposed rules would amend subsection 1301.1 to add new paragraphs about an applicant's certification concerning requirements of Title 49 of the Code of Federal Regulations, Part 391, and certification that the vehicle the applicant is tested in is representative of the type that the applicant would operate.