

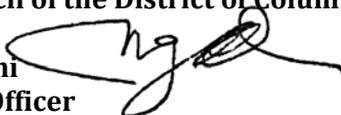
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MEMORANDUM

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

FROM: Natwar M. Gandhi 
Chief Financial Officer

DATE: November 2, 2010

SUBJECT: Fiscal Impact Statement – “Department of Health Functions
Clarification Emergency Amendment Act of 2010”

REFERENCE: Draft Legislation—No Bill Number Available

Conclusion

Funds are sufficient in the FY 2011 through FY 2014 budget and financial plan to implement the provisions of the proposed legislation.

Background

The proposed legislation would amend the Department of Health Functions Clarification Act of 2001¹ to authorize the Department of Health (DOH) to issue grants in FY 2011 to qualified community organizations for the purposes of conducting health promotion, preventing disease, and providing health services; provided, that any grant in excess of \$250,000 be awarded through a competitive process unless otherwise authorized under law. Under current law, DOH is authorized to issue such grants only in FY 2010.

In the FY 2011 budget, approximately \$4.3 million was allocated to DOH for a Notice of Grant Award. These funds are to be provided to Unity Health Care, Inc. as part of a multi-year competitive grant for operating the Ambulatory Care Center and five safety net clinics (Anacostia, Congress Heights, Hunt Place, Southwest, and Woodbridge). Without the proposed legislation, DOH cannot issue the Notice of Grant Award.

¹ Effective October 3, 2001 (D.C. Law 14-28; D.C. Official Code § 7-731 *et seq.*). Specifically, this would amend § 7-736.01.

Financial Plan Impact

Funds are sufficient in the FY 2011 through FY 2014 budget and financial plan to implement the provisions of the proposed legislation. Providing grant authority to DOH would not have an impact on the budget and financial plan; however, any grants made pursuant to this authority could not exceed the approved DOH budget in any given fiscal year. For FY 2011, \$4.3 million has been allocated to DOH for a Notice of Grant Award.