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MEMORANDUM

TO: The Honorable Phil Mendelson

Chairman, Council of the District of Columbia

FROM: Jeffrey S. DeWitt

Chief Financial Office

DATE: October 31, 2018

SUBJECT: Fiscal Impact Statement - Conversion Therapy for Consumers under a

Conservatorship or Guardianship Amendment Act of 2018

REFERENCE: Bill 22-972, Committee Print as shared with the Office of Revenue

Analysis on October 15, 2018

Conclusion

Funds are sufficient in the fiscal year 2019 through 2022 budget and financial plan to implement the bill.

Background

The bill prohibits¹ mental health providers from engaging in sexual orientation change efforts for individuals under an appointed² conservatorship or guardianship. Providers that violate this prohibition are subject to discipline and penalties issued by the health professional licensing board responsible for overseeing a provider's professional license.

Financial Plan Impact

Funds are sufficient in the fiscal year 2019 through 2022 budget and financial plan to implement the bill. The Department of Health can implement the bill without additional resources.

¹ By amending Title II of the Mental Health Service Delivery Reform Act of 2001, effective December 18, 2001 (D.C. Law 14-56; D.C. Official Code § 7-1231.01 et seq.).

² Under D.C. Official Code §§ 21-2001 to 21-2077.