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MEMORANDUM

TO: The Honorable Phil Mendelson

> Chairman, Council of the District of Columbia lucy SacWill

FROM: **Jeffrey S. DeWitt**

Chief Financial Officer

DATE: October 31, 2018

SUBJECT: Fiscal Impact Statement - Electronic Proof of Automobile Insurance

Amendment Act of 2018

REFERENCE: Bill 22-740, Draft Committee Print as shared with the Office of Revenue

Analysis on October 25, 2018

Conclusion

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

Background

The bill allows a motor vehicle operator to carry and present her or his insurance card in electronic format rather than maintaining a hard copy in the vehicle. The bill also allows a motorist to provide proof of insurance or vehicle registration to a Metropolitan Police Department (MPD) Officer in an electronic format during a traffic stop. The bill defines electronic format as the ability to display an image of the proof of insurance or vehicle registration on a mobile telephone or other portable electronic device.

Financial Plan Impact

Funds are sufficient in the fiscal year 2019 through fiscal year 2022 budget and financial plan to implement the bill. MPD currently accepts electronic proof of insurance as a matter of practice and conforming the statutes to this practice does not have a cost. There are also no costs associated with MPD accepting electronic proof of registration.