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## **MEMORANDUM**

TO: The Honorable Phil Mendelson

Chairman, Council of the District of Columbia

FROM: Jeffrey S. DeWitt

**Chief Financial Officer** 

DATE: September 19, 2017

SUBJECT: Fiscal Impact Statement - Nurse Staffing Agency Amendment Act of

2017

REFERENCE: Draft bill as shared with the Office of Revenue Analysis on September

18, 2017

#### Conclusion

Funds are sufficient in the fiscal year 2018 through fiscal year 2021 budget and financial plan to implement the bill.

# **Background**

The bill clarifies<sup>1</sup> that businesses that only maintain a registry of qualified nurses, and do not directly employ nurses, are not required to be licensed as nurse staffing agencies in the District of Columbia. The bill also clarifies<sup>2</sup> the difference between home care agencies and nurse staffing agencies by specifying that nurse staffing agencies provide personnel and not nursing services.

## **Financial Plan Impact**

Funds are sufficient in the fiscal year 2018 through fiscal year 2021 budget and financial plan to implement the bill. The Department of Health can implement the bill without additional resources.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> By amending The Nurse Staffing Agency Act of 2003, effective March 10, 2004 (D.C. Law 15-74; D.C. Official Code § 44-1051 et seq.).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Id.