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## **MEMORANDUM**

ТО:	The Honorable Phil Mendelson Chairman, Council of the District of Columbia
FROM:	Jeffrey S. DeWitt Chief Financial Officer
DATE:	September 7, 2017
SUBJECT:	Fiscal Impact Statement – Parks and Recreation License Plate Establishment Act of 2017
REFERENCE:	Draft bill as shared with the Office of Revenue Analysis on September 6, 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 authorizes the Mayor to issue one or more vehicle tags that enhance the public's awareness of the Department of Parks and Recreation's (DPR) diverse economic, health, and leisure programming at parks and recreation centers. Residents must pay a \$25 application fee and a \$20 annual display fee for the tag. The District will deposit the application and display fees into the Recreation Enterprise Fund.<sup>1</sup>

## **Financial Plan Impact**

Funds are sufficient in the fiscal year 2018 through fiscal year 2021 budget and financial plan to implement the bill. DPR will design the tag and can absorb any associated costs within its existing budget. The Department of Motor Vehicles can also absorb any implementation costs associated with requests for the new tag.

There are over 300,000 active vehicle tags in the District, but the number of residents who are willing to pay an additional fee for and register their cars with the new DPR tag is unknown. Any revenues associated with the new tags will be deposited into the Recreation Enterprise Fund and

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Recreation Act of 1994, effective March 23, 1995 (D.C. Law 10-246; D.C. Official Code § 10-303(a)).

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help support DPR properties and programming across the District. The Mayor must initiate a budget action in order to spend any new revenues.