# Government of the District of Columbia Office of the Chief Financial Officer



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## **MEMORANDUM**

TO: The Honorable Phil Mendelson

> Chairman, Council of the District of Columbia All ME

FROM: Glen Lee

Chief Financial Officer

DATE: March 27, 2023

**SUBJECT:** Fiscal Impact Statement - Pride Plates Amendment Act of 2023

**REFERENCE:** Bill 25-168, Draft Committee Print as provided to the Office of Revenue

Analysis on March 15, 2023

#### Conclusion

Funds are sufficient in the fiscal year 2023 through fiscal year 2026 budget and financial plan to implement the bill.

# **Background**

The bill authorizes the Mayor to design and make available for issuance an LGBTQ Pride motor vehicle tag that demonstrates support for the lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, and questioning (LGBTQ) community. Residents must pay a \$25 application fee and a \$20 annual display fee for the LGBTQ Pride tag.

The bill also establishes the Office of Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender, and Questioning Affairs Fund (Fund) to be managed by the Office of Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender, and Questioning Affairs (Office). The Office will deposit into the Fund grants and donations and any application and display fees received from the Department of Motor Vehicles (DMV) for the issuance of an LGBTQ Pride tag. The Office can use the Fund's resources to support programs that promote the welfare of the LGBTQ community.

## **Financial Plan Impact**

Funds are sufficient in the fiscal year 2023 through fiscal year 2026 budget and financial plan to implement the bill. The Mayor will design and offer for issuance the LGBTQ Pride tags and can absorb any costs within her existing budgeted resources.

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There are over 280,000 active vehicle tags registered in the District and less than five percent register their vehicles with a specialty or membership organization tag. The number of residents who are willing to pay additional fees and register their vehicles with a LGBTQ Pride tag is unknown. DMV will deposit any application and display fees for residents who choose the LGBTQ Pride tag into the Fund. The Mayor must initiate a budget action to spend any new revenues deposited into the Fund.