

Government of the District of Columbia  
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**MEMORANDUM**

**TO:** The Honorable Phil Mendelson  
Chairman, Council of the District of Columbia

**FROM:** Jeffrey S. DeWitt  
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**DATE:** October 3, 2016

**SUBJECT:** Fiscal Impact Statement – Adult Protective Services Amendment Act of 2016

**REFERENCE:** Bill 21-582, Draft Committee Print sent to the Office of Revenue Analysis on October 3, 2016

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**Conclusion**

Funds are sufficient in the fiscal year 2017 through fiscal year 2020 budget and financial plan to implement the bill.

**Background**

The bill allows<sup>1</sup> an adult who is in need of protective services, or his or her legal or court-appointed representative, to obtain a copy of his or her protective services record and investigative reports from the Department of Human Services (DHS)<sup>2</sup>.

When DHS releases records, it must not release the identity or other personal information of reporters, witnesses, or interviewees.

**Financial Plan Impact**

Funds are sufficient in the fiscal year 2017 through fiscal year 2020 budget and financial plan to implement the bill. DHS's Adult Protective Services program can perform any additional work associated with the bill. We expect the costs associated with copying records to be small and believe DHS can absorb them within its current budget.

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<sup>1</sup> By amending the Adult Protective Services Act of 1984, effective March 14, 1985 (D.C. Law 5-156; D.C. Official Code § 7-1901 et seq.).

<sup>2</sup> To the extent permitted by District or federal law, regulation, or policy.