

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: September 21, 2016

SUBJECT: Fiscal Impact Statement – Electronic Cigarette Parity Amendment Act of 2016

REFERENCE: Bill 21-780, Draft Committee Print sent to the Office of Revenue Analysis on September 1, 2016

Conclusion

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

Background

The bill extends¹ the ban on smoking in public places and places of employment to include the smoking of e-cigarettes and other electronic smoking devices.

Financial Plan Impact

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

The bill will have no cost to the District government. The Department of Health (DOH) enforces the current smoking ban, and will not need additional resources to continue enforcing the ban if the bill passes. DOH might have to update some of its educational materials on the smoking ban, but it can do so using its current resources.

¹ By amending Section 4915 of the District of Columbia Department of Health Functions Clarification Act of 2001, effective April 4, 2006 (D.C. Law 16-90; D.C. Official Code § 7-741).