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MEMORANDUM

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

FROM: Natwar M. Gandhi
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DATE: November 4, 2013

SUBJECT: Fiscal Impact Statement – “Party Officer Elections Emergency Amendment Act of 2013”

REFERENCE: Draft bill shared with the Office of Revenue Analysis on October 31, 2013

Conclusion

Funds are sufficient in the FY 2014 through FY 2017 budget and financial plan to implement the bill.

Background

Elections for political party officers are currently held at the request of a party during a previously scheduled primary election, but only during a Presidential election year.¹ The bill permits political party elections to be held during any previously scheduled primary election.

Additionally, the bill moves the deadline by which a party must request a party officer election from 180 days² to 130 days. This change is being proposed so there is enough time for party officials to request an election during the upcoming April 2014 primary election.

Financial Plan Impact

Funds are sufficient in the FY 2014 through FY 2017 budget and financial plan to implement the bill.

¹ D.C. Official Code § 1-1001.10(a)(1).

² D.C. Official Code § 1-1001.08(l)(1).

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Because the party officer election must take place during an already scheduled election, there are no additional costs to the Board of Elections and Ethics. Additionally, in this instance, changing the required notification period has no fiscal impact.