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Natwar M. Gandhi Chief Financial Officer

MEMORANDUM

TO: The Honorable Kwame R. Brown

Chairman, Council of the District of Columbia

FROM: Natwar M. Gandhi

Chief Financial Officer

DATE: September 20, 2011

SUBJECT: Fiscal Impact Statement - "Health Occupations Revision Act of 1985

Amendment Act of 2011"

REFERENCE: Draft Legislation shared with the OCFO on August 10, 2011

Conclusion

Funds are sufficient in the FY 2012 through FY 2015 budget and financial plan to implement the provisions of the proposed legislation.

Background

The proposed legislation would establish¹ eligibility requirements and criteria for dentists and dental hygienists to become licensed to teach, respectively, dentistry and dental hygiene in the District of Columbia. Currently no licensing requirements exist for teaching for these professions. The proposed legislation also directs the Board of Dentistry to issue regulations necessary to implement the changes to the law.

Financial Plan Impact

Funds are sufficient in the FY 2012 through FY 2015 budget and financial plan to implement the provisions of the proposed legislation. The proposed legislation does not have an impact on the District's budget and financial plan. The licensing fees must be used to cover any administrative costs associated with registering dentists and dental hygienists for teaching licenses. The Board of Dentistry has not yet determined the amount of this fee or the regulations to implement the changes to the law.

¹ By amending the District of Columbia Health Occupations Revision Act of 1985, effective March 25, 1986 (D.C. Law 6-99; D.C. Official Code § 3-1201.01 *et seq.*).