

**GOVERNMENT OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA**  
**Office of the Chief Financial Officer**

**Natwar M. Gandhi**  
Chief Financial Officer



**MEMORANDUM**

**TO:** The Honorable Linda W. Cropp  
Chairman, Council of the District of Columbia

**FROM:** Natwar M. Gandhi [signature]  
Chief Financial Officer

**DATE:** December 17, 2004

**SUBJECT:** Fiscal Impact Statement: "Towing Regulations Approval  
Resolution of 2004"

**REFERENCE:** Proposed Resolution 15-1150 Introduced on November 3, 2003

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**Conclusion**

Funds are sufficient in the FY 2005 through FY 2008 budget and financial plan to implement the proposed resolution. No additional staff or resources will be required.

**Background**

The Towing Regulation and Enforcement Act of 2003<sup>1</sup> requires the Mayor to develop, promulgate and enforce regulations regarding the towing of vehicles and towing companies operating in the District of Columbia. The proposed regulations govern the operation of towing companies, tow vehicles, towed vehicle storage facilities, and towing procedures in the District. The rules are identical to previously approved municipal regulations.

The proposed regulations establishes licensing, surety bond, vehicle and equipment requirements, storage lot requirements, procedures for towing operations, maximum rates of compensation, itemization for towing and storage invoices, prohibitions, enforcement and penalties, and licensing fees. Licensing is \$775 per annum a towing business and storage lot licensing is \$150 per annum. A towing vehicle license will cost the owners \$163 per annum and replacement licenses will cost \$25.

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<sup>1</sup> Bill 15-364 was introduced on July 7, 2003 and was the subject of a public hearing by the Committee on Public Works and the Environment on January 7, 2004.

### **Financial Plan Impact**

Funds are sufficient in the FY 2005 through FY 2008 budget and financial plan to implement the proposed resolution and the accompanying regulations. No additional staff or resources will be required. Any revenue collected above budgetary levels would need to be appropriated for expenditure purposes.