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

Chief Financial Officer

DATE: March 3, 2003

SUBJECT: Fiscal Impact Statement: "Traffic Adjudication Appeal Fee

Emergency Amendment Act of 2003"

REFERENCE: Draft Legislation – No Bill Number

Conclusion

Funds are sufficient in the proposed FY 2003 through FY 2006 budget and financial plan to implement the Traffic Adjudication Appeal Fee Emergency Amendment Act of 2003.

Background

The Traffic Adjudication Appeal Fee Emergency Amendment Act of 2003 amends the Traffic Adjudication Act of 1978 and Title 18 of the District of Columbia Municipal Regulations to provide for the refund of the fee that a person must pay to appeal a notice of infraction if the person prevails in the appeal.

Financial Plan Impact

The fee for appealing a notice of infraction is \$10. In calendar year 2002, there were 1,111 appeals filed with the Traffic Adjudication Appeals Board. The appellant prevailed in 185 of those appeals. Based on 2002 appeals activity, the proposed legislation would result in a negligible revenue loss.