

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

Natwar M. Gandhi  
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**MEMORANDUM**

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

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

**DATE:** January 2, 2004

**SUBJECT:** Fiscal Impact Statement: "District of Columbia Public Schools  
Performance and Accountability Act of 2003"

**REFERENCE:** Bill 15-519

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**Conclusion**

Funds are not sufficient in the FY 2004 through FY 2007 budget and financial plan to enact the "District of Columbia Public Schools Performance and Accountability Act of 2003". It would cost \$0.05 million in FY 2004, and \$0.32 million from FY 2004 through 2007 to implement this act.

**Background**

The proposed Act would establish data collection and reporting requirements to ensure compliance with the federal No Child Left Behind Act of 2002. Most of the data required in this Act are already collected by District of Columbia Public Schools (DCPS), which plans to use their current systems for collection and compliance. Because some reporting requirements are different from current practice, a new FTE would be needed for No Child Left Behind reporting and compliance.

### **Financial Plan Impact**

The "District of Columbia Public Schools Performance and Accountability Act of 2003" would impact District's budget and financial plan by \$0.05 million in FY 2004 and \$0.32 million from FY 2004 through 2007. Although most of the data is already collected by DCPS, one new FTE would be needed to aggregate and report the required data.

<b>Estimated Cost to the Financial Plan</b> (\$ in millions)					
	<b>FY 2004 (1/2 year)</b>	<b>FY 2005</b>	<b>FY 2006</b>	<b>FY 2007</b>	<b>4-Year Total</b>
<b>DS-14 OCFO Analyst</b>	<b>\$ 0.05</b>	<b>\$ 0.09</b>	<b>\$ 0.09</b>	<b>\$ 0.09</b>	<b>\$ 0.32</b>