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:

MAY 31 2006

SUBJECT:

Fiscal Impact Statement: "Separation Pay, Term of Office and

Voluntary Retirement Modifications for Chief of Police

Charles H. Ramsey Amendment Act of 2006"

REFERENCE:

Draft Legislation to be Introduced - No Number Available

Conclusion

Funds are sufficient in the FY 2006 and the FY 2007 through FY 2010 budget and financial plan to implement the provisions of the proposed legislation. No additional resources will be required.

Background

The proposed legislation amends the District of Columbia Government Comprehensive Merit Personnel Act of 1978¹ to modify the separation pay provisions applicable to the Executive Service in the case of involuntary separation from the District government of Chief of Police Charles H. Ramsey. In addition, the proposed legislation amends an act² relating to provide that effective retroactively to April 21, 2003, Chief Ramsey shall serve in the capacity of Chief of Police for a term not to exceed 4 years and 9 months [January 20, 2008]. However, the Mayor may terminate Chief Ramsey earlier with or without cause.

¹ D.C. Law 2-139; effective March 3, 1979 and the Omnibus Personnel Reform Act of 1998; D.C. Law 12-124; effective June 10, 1998.

² Title 5 § 105.01 – Appointments; Assignments; promotions; applicable civil service provisions; vacancies.

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The proposed legislation amends the District of Columbia Policemen and Firemen's Retirement and Disability Act³ to increase the rate of annuity for voluntary retirement for Chief Ramsey to 3.43 percent effective retroactively to April 21, 1998.⁴

Financial Plan Impact

Funds are sufficient in the FY 2006 and the FY 2007 through FY 2010 budget and financial plan to implement the provisions of the proposed legislation. No additional resources will be required. Funds for the proposed legislation were made available in the District's baseline budget and financial plan approved by the Mayor and Council, and allocated to the District's Metropolitan Police Department.

³ Title 5 § 712 et sequitor.

⁴ Chief Charles Ramsey was first appointed to the position of Chief of the District's Metropolitan Police Department on April 21, 1998.