


GOVERNMENT OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA
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MEMORANDUM

TO: The Honorable Vincent C. Gray
Chairman, Council of the District of Columbia

FROM: Natwar M. Gandhi 
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DATE: July 11, 2008

SUBJECT: Fiscal Impact Statement: "Athletic Trainer and Personal Fitness Trainer Amendment Act of 2008"

REFERENCE: Draft -- No bill number available

Conclusion

Funds are sufficient in the FY 2008 budget and FY 2009 through FY 2012 budget and financial plan to implement the provisions of the proposed legislation.

Background

The proposed legislation would amend D.C. Official Code § 3-1201.01 *et seq.* to make technical corrections, to require athletic trainers to be licensed, and to require personal fitness trainers to be registered. It would also provide for the minimum requirements for licensure of athletic trainers. The proposed bill provides that the Board of Physical Therapy would be required to regulate the practice of athletic trainers and personal fitness trainers.

Financial Plan Impact

Funds are sufficient in the FY 2008 budget and FY 2009 through FY 2012 budget and financial plan to implement the provisions of the proposed legislation.

Under the fee structure currently contemplated by the Department of Health (DOH), implementation of the proposed legislation is estimated to generate approximately \$127,000 in FY 2009 and \$206,000 over the FY 2009 through FY 2012 period. These fees would be

deposited into the Health Occupations Regulation Fund,¹ a non-lapsing, revolving fund that is continually available to DOH, subject to applicable laws relating to the appropriation of District of Columbia funds.

DOH would not require additional resources to implement the provisions of the proposed legislation.

| Revenue Impact on the Health Occupations Regulation Fund | | | | | |
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| | FY 2009 | FY 2010 | FY 2011 | FY 2012 | 4-Year Total |
| Athletic Trainer License Fees | \$11,500 | \$0 | \$7,250 | \$0 | \$18,750 |
| Personal Fitness Trainer Registration Fees | \$115,000 | \$0 | \$72,500 | \$0 | \$187,500 |
| Total Revenue Impact | \$126,500 | \$0 | \$79,750 | \$0 | \$206,250 |

Table Notes and Assumptions:

- Assumes an implementation date on or near October 1, 2008.
- Assumes that initial license and registration fees will be \$230 and that renewal fees due every two years will be \$145.
- Assumes that approximately 500 personal fitness trainers and 50 athletic trainers will become registered or licensed in the District in FY 2009 and that individuals in this group will renew their registrations and licenses in FY 2011.

¹ D.C. Official Code § 7-733