

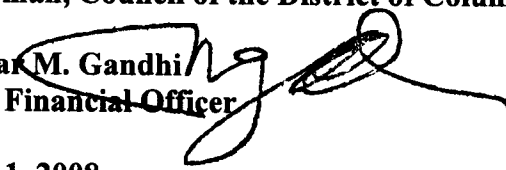
**Government of the District of Columbia
Office of the Chief Financial Officer**



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Chief Financial Officer

MEMORANDUM

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

FROM: Natwar M. Gandhi 
Chief Financial Officer

DATE: July 11, 2008

SUBJECT: Fiscal Impact Statement: "Uniform Adult Guardianship and
Protective Proceedings Jurisdiction Act of 2008"

REFERENCE: Bill Number 17-585, Committee Print dated July 8, 2008

Conclusion

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

Background

The proposed legislation is intended to facilitate the movement of adult guardianships, conservatorships, and other protective proceedings between the District and other states by providing procedures for communication and cooperation between the Superior Court of the District of Columbia and courts of other states. It would also provide procedures for resolving multi-jurisdictional disputes, transferring guardianships and conservatorships between the District and other states, and those under which a guardianship or other protective order issued in another state may be registered in the District.

The legislation is intended to address the problem created by senior citizens having residences in more than one jurisdiction or moving from one jurisdiction to another. This creates problems related to multiple guardian or conservator appointments on jurisdictional grounds. A lack of defined procedures for transferring such orders between jurisdictions results in duplicative and costly litigation.

Financial Plan Impact

Funds are sufficient in the FY 2008 through FY 2011 budget and financial plan to implement the proposed legislation. Implementation of the proposed legislation would not have an impact on the budget and financial plan. The District may experience some efficiency-based savings as a result of enacting the proposed legislation.