


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



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**MEMORANDUM**

**TO:** The Honorable Phil Mendelson  
Chairman, Council of the District of Columbia

**FROM:** Glen Lee  
Chief Financial Officer 

**DATE:** July 1, 2024

**SUBJECT:** Fiscal Impact Statement – Female Genital Mutilation Prohibition Act of 2024

**REFERENCE:** Bill 25-247 Draft Committee Print as provided to the Office of Revenue Analysis on June 20, 2024

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**Conclusion**

Funds are sufficient in the fiscal year 2025 budget and fiscal year 2025 through fiscal year 2028 budget and financial plan. The bill has no impact on the budget and financial plan.

**Background**

The bill defines a felony crime of female genital mutilation (FGM). FGM is the partial or total removal of, or injury to, female genitals without a medical purpose. Individuals who conduct female genital mutilation, who facilitate or consent to FGM for a child or individual in their care, or who remove a child from the District for the purpose of FGM, may be charged with a felony crime with a sentence of up to 10 years and a fine of up to \$25,000. The bill also establishes a private right of action.

The definition of FGM excludes cases that are part of a sex reassignment procedure requested by the patient; medically-necessary procedures required to protect the physical health of the patient; or piercings provided by a licensed body art establishment. The bill also requires the Department of Health (DOH) to develop and issue public informational materials on FGM.

**Financial Plan Impact**

Funds are sufficient in the fiscal year 2025 budget and fiscal year 2025 through fiscal year 2028 budget and financial plan. The Department of Health can carry out the public awareness campaign materials within its current resources. The bill has no other impact on the budget and financial plan.