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MEMORANDUM

TO:	**The Honorable Phil Mendelson** **Chairman, Council of the District of Columbia**
FROM:	**Glen Lee** **Chief Financial Officer**
DATE:	**November 20, 2026**
SUBJECT:	**Fiscal Impact Statement – Trust in Local Law Enforcement and Federal Accountability Omnibus Amendment Act of 2026**
REFERENCE:	**Bill 26-603, Draft Committee Print as provided to the Office of Revenue Analysis on November 20, 2026**

Conclusion

Funds are sufficient in the fiscal year 2027 through fiscal year 2030 budget and financial plan to implement the bill.

Background

The bill requires the public release of Metropolitan Police Department (MPD) body-worn camera (BWC) recordings of all officer-involved deaths or serious use of force incidents as well as the names of all officers and National Guard members involved and a description of the incident. The bill also requires that MPD's public database of BWC recordings and names of all officers directly involved with an officer-involved death since August 1, 2025, include names of directly involved federal law enforcement officers and National Guard members, as available.

The bill requires monthly publication of roll call information, including all federal agents and National Guard members in attendance at daily MPD patrol roll calls. The bill requires MPD to include in its annual report aggregate data on citywide arrest trends for all arrests. The bill requires the Mayor to issue guidance to District agencies on handling interactions with immigration enforcement, including guidance on:

- Designating a contact person or persons to be notified of the presence of, or information requests from, law enforcement agents engaged in immigration enforcement.
- Verifying the identity and authority of any law enforcement officer engaged in immigration enforcement.

- Verifying the validity of any judicial warrant or judicial order provided.
- Documenting and maintaining records of all interactions with law enforcement agents engaged in immigration enforcement.
- Informing all persons how to respond to requests relating to immigration enforcement.

Under the bill, unless there is a judicial warrant issued by an Article III judge[1] or federal magistrate, the District is prohibited from:

- Transporting federal agents or detainees solely for purposes of immigration enforcement in District-owned vehicles, with an exception for public transit.
- Conducting surveillance, patrol, or other law enforcement operations solely for purposes of immigration enforcement.

The bill requires training of District employees on compliance and prohibits MPD from inquiring into the immigration status of any individual solely for purposes of immigration enforcement unless otherwise required by law or treaty.

The bill requires MPD officers to document in arrest reports and probable cause affidavits identifying information (name, badge or identifying number, and employing agency or National Guard unit) for all law enforcement officers and National Guard members present at the scene of an arrest; any use of force and description of the use of force; and the number of unidentified law enforcement officers and National Guard members at the scene and whether any law enforcement officer declined to disclose their identity.

Financial Plan Impact

Funds are sufficient in the fiscal year 2027 through fiscal year 2030 budget and financial plan to implement the bill. MPD will implement the bill within existing resources. The bill modifies BWC disclosure and reporting requirements. MPD already maintains processes for collecting, reviewing, publishing, and retaining BWC footage, reporting required BWC program data, and publicly posting officer-involved death disclosures and related information. The bill expands the scope of information subject to existing disclosure, reporting, and recordkeeping requirements. MPD can make any updates to policies, procedures, training, website content, and reporting practices within existing resources.

The bill requires monthly publication of roll call information, including all federal agents and National Guard members in attendance at daily patrol MPD roll calls. MPD currently collects this information by requiring officers to scan a QR code and fill out a form, which is transmitted to the Joint Operations Command Center. MPD will export that information into an Excel spreadsheet. MPD can meet this requirement using existing resources.

MPD policy and current operational practice prohibits officers from engaging in the enforcement of civil immigration laws and requires confirmation of a criminal warrant or criminal judicial order before taking enforcement action. MPD officers do not inquire about individuals' immigration status

[1] Article III of the Constitution governs the appointment, tenure, and payment of Supreme Court justices, and federal circuit and district judges. These judges, often referred to as "Article III judges," are nominated by the president and confirmed by the U.S. Senate. https://www.uscourts.gov/about-federal-courts/types-federal-judges

for the purpose of immigration enforcement and do not conduct civil immigration enforcement. MPD does not provide transportation for the purpose of civil immigration enforcement.

The bill requires MPD officers to include additional information in arrest documentation or probable-cause affidavits. These requirements primarily involve the collection and recording of information during existing arrest reporting processes. MPD currently prepares arrest paperwork and probable-cause affidavits as part of its routine law enforcement activities. The bill would require minor modifications to existing documentation practices and officer procedures, which can be accommodated through existing administrative processes, training resources, and personnel.