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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 2, 2024

SUBJECT: Fiscal Impact Statement - United Negro College Fund Real Property Tax

Abatement Extension Amendment Act of 2024

REFERENCE: Bill 25-240, Draft Committee Print as provided to the Office of Revenue

Analysis on June 26, 2024

Conclusion

Funds are sufficient. The fiscal year 2025 budget and fiscal year 2025 through fiscal year 2028 financial plan accounts for the revenue loss of the bill's tax abatement.

Background

This bill establishes a 10-year abatement of real property taxes for property owned by the United Negro College Fund, Inc (UNCF). The property is known for tax purposes as Square 441, Lot 2012, and is located at 1805 & 1815 7th St. NW. The property owned and operated by UNCF consists of a section of the building used as its headquarters plus a share of the common space on the first floor. A pre-existing abatement was on the property from 2012-2022, ending September 30, 2022.

The abatement is in effect as of October 1, 2024. Up to \$515,000 can be abated in fiscal year 2025, and the abatement cap rises by 3 percent each year.

Financial Plan Impact

Funds are sufficient. The fiscal year 2025 budget and fiscal year 2025 through fiscal year 2028 financial plan accounts for the revenue loss of the bill's tax abatement.

¹ D.C. Code § 47-4635

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FIS: "United Negro College Fund Real Property Tax Abatement Extension Amendment Act of 2024", Bill 25-240, Draft committee print as provided to the Office of Revenue Analysis on June 26, 2024

The 2025 Local Budget Act of 2024² includes \$515,000 in 2025 and \$2.155 million over the financial plan for this abatement.

United Negro College Fund Real Property Tax Abatement Extension Amendment Act of 2024					
Fiscal Impact (\$ thousands)					
	FY 2025	FY 2026	FY 2027	FY 2028	Total
Property tax revenue loss	\$515	\$531	\$546	\$563	\$2,155

² B25-0785 - Fiscal Year 2025 Local Budget Act of 2024 Full Entry sheet.xlsx (chairmanmendelson.com)