

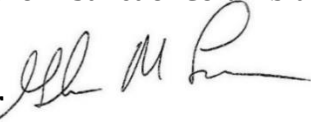
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Office of the Chief Financial Officer



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MEMORANDUM

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

FROM: Glen Lee
Chief Financial Officer 

DATE: February 7, 2024

SUBJECT: Fiscal Impact Statement – Office of Administrative Hearings
Jurisdiction Amendment Act of 2024

REFERENCE: Bill 25-330, Draft Committee print as provided to the Office of Revenue
Analysis on January 24, 2024

Conclusion

Funds are sufficient in the fiscal year 2024 through fiscal year 2027 budget and financial plan to implement the bill.

Background

Concealed pistol licenses and firearm registration certificates are issued by the Metropolitan Police Department (MPD). An individual who is denied a concealed pistol license or firearm registration certificate or has an existing license or certificate revoked may file an appeal. In 2023, on a temporary basis, the Council transferred jurisdiction over concealed pistol license appeals from the Concealed Pistol Licensing Review Board (CPLRB), which is now disbanded, to the Office of Administrative Hearings (OAH) as of October 1, 2023.¹ This legislation also required the Mayor to transfer all records from CPLRB to OAH and that all cases or motions filed at CPLRB before October 1, 2023 should be re-docketed at OAH. OAH had previously only adjudicated firearms registration certificate appeals. Temporary legislation also changed the burden of production of evidence and the burden of

¹ Office of Administrative Hearings Jurisdiction Temporary Amendment Act of 2023, effective October 5, 2023 (D.C. Law 25-63; 70 DCR 13729).

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persuasion for an appeal of a denial or revocation of a concealed pistol license or a firearm registration certificate from the applicant or licensee to the Chief of MPD.²

The bill makes these changes permanent.

Financial Plan Impact

Funds are sufficient in the fiscal year 2024 through fiscal year 2027 budget and financial plan to implement the bill. OAH received an additional administrative law judge, deputy clerk, and legal assistant in the fiscal year 2024 budget to support the new authorities granted to the agency. These resources are sufficient to make the changes permanent.

² The Office of Administrative Hearings Jurisdiction Temporary Amendment Act and The Office of Administrative Hearings Jurisdiction Clarification Temporary Amendment Act of 2023, effective December 20, 2023 (D.C. Law 25-97; 71 DCR 12).