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A BILL

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IN THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

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To establish a mobile hygiene pilot program within the Department of Human Services to provide hygiene products and services to individuals who are homeless, to require a District-owned vehicle to be repurposed into the program's mobile hygiene unit, to require the Department of Human Services and the Interagency Council on Homelessness to submit a report to the Mayor and the Council on the program within a time certain following expiration of the program, and to establish the Mobile Hygiene Unit Fund.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, That this act be cited as the "Mobile Hygiene Pilot Program Amendment Act of 2015".

TITLE I. DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES – MOBILE HYGIENE PILOT PROGRAM

Sec. 101. Mobile Hygiene Pilot program.

(a)(1) There is established within the Department of Human Services ("DHS") a Mobile Hygiene Pilot program ("pilot program") to provide a mobile unit that travels within the District of Columbia and provides shower and bathroom facilities to individuals who are homeless to enable them to tend to their personal hygiene ("PH Mobile Unit").

(2) The pilot program shall be administered by DHS, in consultation with the Interagency Council on Homelessness ("DCICH").

(3) The pilot program shall be implemented within 120 days of the effective date

36 of this act and continue for 24 months.

37 (b) The Mayor shall donate a DC Circulator bus, or other District-owned vehicle  
38 appropriate for the purpose of the pilot program, to be used as the PH Mobile Unit.

39 (c)(1) The Mayor shall allocate \$200,000 to fund the cost of:

40 (A) Converting and equipping the bus or other vehicle into the PH Mobile

41 Unit;

42 (B) Operating the PH Mobile Unit for the period of the pilot program; and

43 (C) The data collection and report preparation as required by section 102.

44 (2) Any unexpended or non-obligated balance remaining from the allocation shall  
45 be deposited into the Mobile Hygiene Unit Fund established by section 103.

46 Sec. 102. Reporting requirement.

47 Within 90 days of the termination of the pilot program, DHS and DCICH shall submit a  
48 report to the Mayor and the Council on the pilot program. The report shall include:

49 (1) The number of individuals served;

50 (2) The number of staff required to implement the pilot program;

51 (3) The cost of operating the pilot program;

52 (4) An analysis of the effectiveness of the pilot program;

53 (5) Recommendations to improve the pilot program; and

54 (6) Projections as to the cost of implementing and expanding the pilot

55 program to a permanent program to meet the needs of all 8 wards.

56 Sec. 103. Personal Hygiene Mobile Unit Fund.

57 (a) There is established the Personal Hygiene Mobile Unit Fund ("Fund"), which shall be  
58 administered by the Director of DHS in accordance with subsection (c) of this section.

59 (b) Revenue from the following sources shall be deposited into the Fund:  
60 (1) Funds appropriated for the purposes of the act;  
61 (2) Donations from the public;  
62 (3) Donations from private entities;  
63 (4) Funds provided through a sponsorship agreement; and  
64 (5) Any funds remaining from the allocation required by section 101(c), in  
65 accordance with section 101(c)(2).

66 (c) Money in the Fund shall be used to implement, operate, and administer the pilot  
67 program.

68 (e)(1) Except as provided in paragraph (2) of this subsection, the money deposited into  
69 the Fund, and interest earned, shall not revert to the unrestricted fund balance of the General  
70 Fund of the District of Columbia at the end of a fiscal year, or at any other time.

71 (2) All funds in the Fund not expended or obligated upon the termination of the  
72 pilot program shall revert to the unrestricted fund balance of the General Fund of the District of  
73 Columbia; provided, that if pilot program is continued or implemented as a permanent program,  
74 the funds in the Fund shall remain in the Fund or be transferred to a fund established for the  
75 permanent program, whichever is applicable.

## 76 TITLE II. CONFORMING AMENDMENT

77 Sec. 201. Section 5(b) of the Homeless Services Reform Act of 2005, effective October  
78 22, 2005 (D.C. Law 16-35; D.C. Official Code § 4-752.02(b)), is amended by adding a new  
79 subsection (g) to read as follows:

80 “(g) The Interagency Council shall, in conjunction with the Department of Human  
81 Services, prepare and submit the report on Mobile Hygiene Pilot program required by section

82 102 of the Mobile Hygiene Pilot Program Amendment Act of 2015, as introduced on September  
83 22, 2015 (D.C. Bill 21-\_\_\_).”.

84 TITLE III. GENERAL PROVISIONS

85 Sec. 301. Fiscal impact statement.

86 The Council adopts the fiscal impact statement in the committee print as the fiscal impact  
87 statement required by section 602(c)(3) of the District of Columbia Home Rule Act, approved  
88 December 24, 1973 (87 Stat. 813; D.C. Official Code § 1-206.02(c)(3)).

89 Sec. 302. Effective date.

90 This act shall take effect following approval by the Mayor (or in the event of veto by the  
91 Mayor, action by the Council to override the veto), a 30-day period of Congressional review as  
92 provided in section 602(c)(1) of the District of Columbia Home Rule Act, approved December  
93 24, 1973 (87 Stat. 813; D.C. Official Code § 1-206.02(c)(1)), and publication in the District of  
94 Columbia Register.