Chairman Phil Mendelson

AMENDMENT

Bill 25-784, "Fiscal Year 2025 Budget Support Act of 2024" (Amendment in the Nature of a Substitute)

June 24, 2024

Amendment:

(a) Lines 5209 through 5213 of Title VII, Subtitle V are amended to read as follows:

"(II) Shall include interest upon the obligations of a state, a territory of the United States, or any political subdivision thereof, but not including obligations of the District of Columbia or bonds issued by DC Water, the Washington Metropolitan Area Transit Authority, and the District of Columbia Housing Finance Agency, in the computation of District gross income."

<u>Rationale</u>: This amendment strikes the phrase "a territory of the United States" to maintain the tax-exempt status of bonds issued by a territory of the United States. Under federal law, bonds issued by Puerto Rico (48 U.S. Code § 745), Guam (48 U.S. Code § 1423a), and the Virgin Islands (48 U.S. Code § 1403) are exempt from federal and state taxation.