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Dear Mr. Nickles:

This is in response to your March 16, 2009, correspondence to our office requesting our review of Bill 18-66, titled "The Domestic Partnership Judicial Determination of Parentage Act of 2009."

We have completed our review and noted that this bill has sufficiently addressed the concerns raised in our September 24, 2008 letter on the previous version of this legislation. Specifically, the proposed changes to section 101 of the Uniform Interstate Family Support Act and to the definition of 'born-out-of-wedlock' in section 16-907 of the DC Code have been removed from the bill.

While it is impossible to conceive of every scenario that might be implicated by the change in rights and obligations brought about by the legislation, the revised bill presents no apparent conflict with Federal requirements for the Child Support Enforcement program under title IV-D of the Social Security Act. The Office of Child Support Enforcement does not anticipate compliance issues for the DC program based on the rights and obligations acknowledged/created by the proposed legislation.

I hope this information will be useful to you.

Cordially,

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cc: Benidia Rice, Director

Child Support Services Division