

- no public building will be named for a public official during their term in office;
- no public facility will be named for any person or public officer convicted of a felony or crimes of moral turpitude;
- if a building has already been named after a convicted felon or a criminal of moral turpitude, the name will be removed immediately;
- a public facility that has been named after an individual that later becomes a public official may continue to bear that name; and
- a public building that has been named after a public official prior to the effective date of the proposed act may continue to bear that name.

PERFORMANCE IMPLICATIONS

There are currently no statutes regarding the naming or renaming of public facilities.

ADMINISTRATIVE IMPLICATIONS

For facilities owned by the Facilities Management Division, the GSD Secretary will appoint a committee to create a list of at least 3 names for consideration by the Secretary and Governor.

TECHNICAL ISSUES

SB 481 does not include a definition for “crimes of moral turpitude”.

SB 481 only requires the appointment of a naming committee for GSD-controlled facilities.

SB 481 does not contain penalties or provisions for removing a name.

ALTERNATIVES

Consider only naming public facilities after deceased public officials or public officers that have demonstrated a life without felonies or crimes of moral turpitude.

WHAT WILL BE THE CONSEQUENCES OF NOT ENACTING THIS BILL

The naming of buildings will continue to be the prerogative of executive decision makers.

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