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TO: The Honorable Nick J. Mosby, President And All Members of the Baltimore City Council City Hall, Room 408

The proposed legislation invites representatives from CSX Transportation, Inc., the Baltimore Fire Department, and the Office of Emergency Management to investigate the cause of the CSX Coal Silo explosion that occurred on December 30, 2021, in Curtis Bay, to address what is being done about air quality in the area, and to address how an incident of this type may be prevented in the future.

On December 30, 2021, Baltimore City Fire Department Operations Units were dispatched to 1910 Benhill Avenue for a report of a building fire at the location. The response assignment is as follows:

Initial Dispatch Time:	1127 hours		
Initial Dispatch Assignment:	Engines 57,5,26,2, 47 - Trucks 21 & 6 - Battalion Chiefs 6		
120	& 2 – Medic 9		
At 1128	Anne Arundel Engine County 31		
At 1129	Anne Arundel County Truck 31		
At 1131	OEM 4 & 2 - SOC (Special Operations Command) 1		
At 1132	Hazmat Coordinator 2 - Collapse Unit		
At 1134	Fire Rescue Boat 1 & 2		
At 1135	Car 5 (Shift Commander)		
At 1142	Fire Investigation Bureau (FIB 9-14)		
At 1143	Rescue 1		
At 1145	Airflex 1		
At 1233	Public Information Officer (PIO)		

The Baltimore City Fire Department (BCFD) looks forward to discussing Council Bill 22-0088R.

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