

**CITY OF BALTIMORE
COUNCIL BILL 16-0763
(First Reader)**

Introduced by: Councilmembers Henry, Kraft

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Assigned to: Judiciary and Legislative Investigations Committee

REFERRED TO THE FOLLOWING AGENCIES: City Solicitor, Department of Housing and Community Development, Baltimore Development Corporation, Department of Finance, Board of Estimates

A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ORDINANCE concerning

2 **Retail Business Districts – Semiannual Fee Collection**

3 FOR the purpose of changing the collection period of the license fee for the York Road Retail
4 Business District from annual to semiannual; clarifying and conforming related provisions;
5 providing for a special effective date; and generally relating to the purposes and operations of
6 Retail Business Districts.

7 BY repealing and reordaining, with amendments

8 Article 14 - Special Benefits Districts

9 Section(s) 11-7(a)

10 Baltimore City Code

11 (Edition 2000)

12 BY adding

13 Article 14 - Special Benefits Districts

14 Section(s) 11-23(d)

15 Baltimore City Code

16 (Edition 2000)

17 **SECTION 1. BE IT ORDAINED BY THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL OF BALTIMORE,** That the
18 Laws of Baltimore City read as follows:

19 **Baltimore City Code**

20 **Article 14. Special Benefits Districts**

21 **Subtitle 11. Retail Business Districts**

22 **§ 11-7. Collection of fee.**

23 (a) *When due.*

24 (1) [The] EXCEPT AS OTHERWISE PROVIDED IN §11-23(D) {"YORK ROAD: SEMIANNUAL
25 FEE COLLECTION"} OF THIS SUBTITLE, THE Retail Business District License fee shall

EXPLANATION: CAPITALS indicate matter added to existing law.
[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.

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1 be due and payable on January 1 each and every year, and the entire charge prescribed
2 for the year shall be collected when the license is issued.

3 (2) In the event that a person commences business operations in a district subsequent to
4 January 1 in any year, the Commissioner may prorate the amount of the fee due and
5 payable based on the number of months of operation during the licensing year.

6 **§ 11-23. York Road.**

7 (D) *SEMIANNUAL FEE COLLECTION.*

8 (1) THE RETAIL BUSINESS DISTRICT LICENSE FEE SHALL BE DUE AND PAYABLE
9 SEMIANNUALLY, WITH ½ OF THE FEE DUE AND PAYABLE ON JANUARY 1, AND WITH ½
10 OF THE FEE DUE AND PAYABLE ON JULY 1, EACH AND EVERY YEAR.

11 (2) ½ OF THE ENTIRE CHARGE PRESCRIBED FOR THE YEAR SHALL BE COLLECTED WHEN
12 THE LICENSE IS ISSUED.

13 **SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED,** That the catchlines contained in this Ordinance
14 are not law and may not be considered to have been enacted as a part of this or any prior
15 Ordinance.

16 **SECTION 3. AND BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED,** That this Ordinance takes effect on the date it is
17 enacted.