

**CITY OF BALTIMORE
COUNCIL BILL 26-0184
(First Reader)**

Introduced by: The Council President

At the request of: The Administration (Department of Finance)

Introduced and read first time: April 27, 2026

Assigned to: Budget and Appropriations Committee

REFERRED TO THE FOLLOWING AGENCIES: City Solicitor, Department of Finance, Baltimore City Sheriff's Office

A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ORDINANCE concerning

2 **Supplementary State Fund Operating Appropriation –**
3 **Baltimore City Sheriff's Office – \$100,000**

4 FOR the purpose of providing a Supplementary State Fund Operating Appropriation in the
5 amount of \$100,000 to the Baltimore City Sheriff's Office – Service 882 (Deputy Sheriff
6 Enforcement), to provide funding for the establishment of the Neighborhood Services Unit to
7 improve neighborhood safety and cohesion by addressing persistent public nuisances and
8 environmental factors that contribute to crime; and providing for a special effective date.

9 BY authority of

10 Article VI - Board of Estimates
11 Section 8(b)(2)(ii) and (c)
12 Baltimore City Charter
13 (1996 Edition)

14 **Recitals**

15 The revenue appropriated by this Ordinance represents a grant from the State of Maryland's
16 Governor's Office of Crime Prevention and Policy in excess of the revenue relied on by the
17 Board of Estimates in determining the tax levy required to balance the budget for Fiscal Year
18 2026.

19 That grant could not have been expected with reasonable certainty when the Ordinance of
20 Estimates for Fiscal Year 2026 was formulated.

21 On April 15, 2026, the Board of Estimates recommended this appropriation to the City
22 Council.

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

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1 **SECTION 1. BE IT ORDAINED BY THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL OF BALTIMORE,** That
2 \$100,000 shall be made available to the Baltimore City Sheriff’s Office – Service 882 (Deputy
3 Sheriff Enforcement) as a Supplementary State Fund Operating Appropriation for Fiscal Year
4 2026, to provide funding for the establishment of the Neighborhood Services Unit to improve
5 neighborhood safety and cohesion by addressing persistent public nuisances and environmental
6 factors that contribute to crime. The source of revenue for this appropriation is a grant from the
7 State of Maryland’s Governor’s Office of Crime Prevention and Policy in excess of the amount
8 from this source that was relied on by the Board of Estimates in determining the tax levy required
9 to balance the budget for Fiscal Year 2026.

10 **SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED,** That this Ordinance takes effect on the date it is
11 enacted.