

**CITY OF BALTIMORE  
COUNCIL BILL 08-0064  
(First Reader)**

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Assigned to: Judiciary and Legislative Investigations Committee

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REFERRED TO THE FOLLOWING AGENCIES: City Solicitor, Police Department, Department of  
Finance, Mayor's Office of Criminal Justice

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A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ORDINANCE concerning

2 **Scrap Metal Processors – Second-Hand Property Dealers –**  
3 **Reporting Requirements**

4 FOR the purpose of expressly including used motor vehicle parts among the items to be reported  
5 to the Police Commissioner and held by scrap metal processors, second-hand property  
6 dealers, and others; modifying certain definitions; and generally relating to the regulation of  
7 scrap metal processors, second-hand property dealers, and others.

8 BY repealing and reordaining, with amendments

9 Article 2 - Consumer Protections

10 Section(s) 8-1(c) and 12-1(b), (c), and (f)

11 Baltimore City Code

12 (Edition 2000)

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

15 **Baltimore City Code**

16 **Article 2. Consumer Protections**

17 **Subtitle 8. Scrap Metal Processors**

18 **§ 8-1. Definitions.**

19 (c) *Reportable scrap metal.*

20 “Reportable scrap metal” means:

21 (1) any used object that consists in whole or substantial part of non-ferrous metal;  
22 and

23 (2) any of the following used objects, whether or not containing non-ferrous metal:

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

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- 1 (i) steel gates, railings, and grates;
- 2 (ii) aluminum storm door and window frames; [and]
- 3 (iii) metal typically associated with heating and plumbing fixtures;
- 4 AND
- 5 (IV) ANY MOTOR VEHICLE PART THAT HAS A POTENTIAL RESALE VALUE OF
- 6 MORE THAN \$50 (OR ANY HIGHER AMOUNT SET BY THE POLICE
- 7 COMMISSIONER).

**Subtitle 12. Second-Hand Property, Antiques, and Consignment Goods**

**§ 12-1. Definitions.**

(b) *Antique dealer.*

11 “Antique dealer” means any person engaged in the business of buying for resale, trade, or  
12 transfer personal property that has special value because of its age, including but not  
13 limited to paintings, clothing, furniture, glass, ceramics, rugs, silverware, carvings,  
14 sculpture, MOTOR VEHICLE PARTS, and other moveable personal property, BUT excluding  
15 motor vehicles, records, tapes, compact discs, and books.

(c) *Consignment goods dealer.*

- 17 (1) “Consignment goods dealer” means any person receiving consignment goods for the  
18 purpose of selling them.
- 19 (2) “Consignment goods” includes all categories of moveable personal property  
20 enumerated in subsections (b) and (f) of this section.

(f) *Second-hand personal property dealer.*

22 “Second-hand personal property dealer” means any person engaged in the business of  
23 buying for resale, trade, or transfer used or previously owned property or merchandise,  
24 including, but not limited to, clothes, furniture, household items, MOTOR VEHICLE PARTS,  
25 and other moveable personal property, BUT excluding motor vehicles, records, tapes,  
26 compact discs, and books.

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

30 **SECTION 3. AND BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED,** That this Ordinance takes effect on the 30<sup>th</sup> day  
31 after the date it is enacted.