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	SUBJECT	City Council Bill 22-0122R – Informational Hearing – Public Safety and Surveillance Technology	M E M O	

TO: The Honorable President and
Members of the City Council
Room 400 City Hall
c/o Natawna Austin, Executive Secretary

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The Baltimore City Office of Information & Technology (BCIT) has reviewed Council Bill 22-0122R. The purpose of this bill is to invite representatives from the Department of Law, the Baltimore Police Department, the Department of Finance, and other interested parties to discuss the acquisition and use of facial recognition surveillance technology by Baltimore City government, how data from such equipment is used and stored, and any liability the City may face if the technology or its data is misused.

The current ban on facial recognition technology (FRT) has not impacted BCIT. In the past several years, the agency has not attempted to procure FRT. BCIT will participate in this informational hearing to answer any questions.

If you have any inquiries in advance of the hearing, please contact Leyla Layman, Chief of Staff, at (443) 202-4511.

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