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	SUBJECT	City Council Bill # 15-0504 Collection of Taxes, Fees, etc. – Warning of Lien and Potential Foreclosure		

TO: Honorable President and Members
of the Baltimore City Council

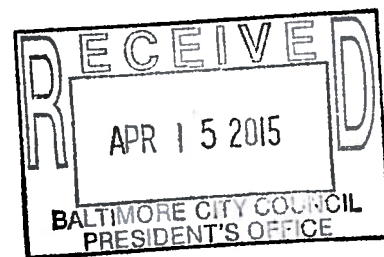
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The Baltimore City Environmental Control Board (ECB) is pleased to have the opportunity to review Council Bill #15-0504, Collection of Taxes, Fees, etc. – Warning of Lien and Potential Foreclosure. The purpose of the bill is to require that certain City bills, invoices, and other statements contain a warning of the potential consequences of a failure to pay. The warning includes specific language that must be added to such bills or invoices.

ECB anticipates this Bill will not have a significant impact on the operations of the agency. The letters that are currently sent by the ECB include similar warning language and that warning is included on letters sent for all offenses – both lienable and non-lienable offenses.

The ECB is easily able to modify the language included on the letters sent to reflect the warning language required by the Bill. The system used to generate the letters can be modified so that the required language only appears on letters that reference a lienable offense.

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