

BALTIMORE POLICE DEPARTMEN'



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November 16, 2012

TO:

The Honorable President and Members

of the Baltimore City Council

Room 400 City Hall Attn. Karen Randle

FROM:

James H. Green, Deputy Chief Legal Counsel

Baltimore Police Department

RE:

City Council Bill 12-0054R-Informational Hearing-Prohibiting Racial

Profiling

The Baltimore Police Department (BPD) has reviewed City Council Bill 12-0054R-Informational Hearing-Prohibiting Racial Profiling which requests the BPD discuss with the Council the issues and training surrounding the prohibitions surrounding racial profiling. The BPD appeared before the Council on July 9, 2012 and again on November 14, 2012 to discuss these matters. The discussion included a review of Maryland law, BPD General Orders, Senator Cardin's, End Racial Profiling Act, testimony of the Police Commissioner and testimony from a number of citizens. There were also a number of questions by members of the Committee and several specific requests to include data surrounding academy cadets' residential information and also ways to have members from the Council and community participate in training of officers.

The BPD was pleased to address the Council on this matter and will follow up on the specific requests of the Council. Thank you for the opportunity to participate in the discussion about this legislation.

Angela Gibson, Mayor's Legislative Liaison cc:

