

**CITY OF BALTIMORE  
COUNCIL BILL 07-0711  
(Resolution)**

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Introduced by: The Council President  
At the request of: The Administration (Department of Finance)  
Introduced and read first time: June 11, 2007  
Assigned to: Judiciary and Legislative Investigations Committee

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REFERRED TO THE FOLLOWING AGENCIES: City Solicitor, Department of Finance, Board of Estimates

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A RESOLUTION ENTITLED

1 A RESOLUTION OF THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL concerning

2 **Charter Amendment – Supplementary Appropriations**

3 FOR the purpose of conforming procedures for approving supplementary appropriations;  
4 correcting, clarifying, and conforming certain language; and submitting this amendment to  
5 the qualified voters of the City for adoption or rejection.

6 BY proposing an amendment to  
7 Article VI - Board of Estimates  
8 Section(s) 8(b) and (c)  
9 Baltimore City Charter  
10 (1996 Edition)

11 **SECTION 1. BE IT RESOLVED BY THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL OF BALTIMORE,** That the  
12 City Charter is proposed to be amended to read as follows:

13 **Baltimore City Charter**

14 **Article VI. Board of Estimates**

15 **§ 8. Deficiencies; supplementary appropriations.**

16 (b) (1) Except as provided [herein] IN THIS SECTION, the Ordinance of Estimates shall  
17 include all OF the [moneys] MONEY to be appropriated by the City for all purposes for the fiscal  
18 year for which the [ordinance is applicable] ORDINANCE OF ESTIMATES APPLIES.

19 (2) Additional appropriations [shall be] ARE permitted during the fiscal year only AS  
20 RECOMMENDED BY THE BOARD OF ESTIMATES AND AUTHORIZED BY A SUPPLEMENTARY  
21 APPROPRIATION ORDINANCE in the following circumstances and under the following conditions:

22 (i) [(2)] Grants from private or governmental sources [which] THAT could not be  
23 expected with reasonable certainty at the time [of the formulation of] the proposed Ordinance of  
24 Estimates WAS FORMULATED may be made available FOR EXPENDITURE [to] BY the appropriate

EXPLANATION: Underlining indicates matter added by amendment.  
~~Strike out~~ indicates matter deleted by amendment.

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1 municipal agency [for expenditure by a supplementary appropriation ordinance recommended to  
2 the City Council by the Board of Estimates, duly passed by the City Council by a majority vote  
3 of its members and approved by the Mayor].

4 (II) [(1)] Revenues from any source, other than the full rate property tax and other  
5 taxes imposed under the authority of Article II, in excess of or in addition to those relied [upon]  
6 ON by the Board of Estimates in determining the tax levy required to balance the budget[,], may  
7 be made available for expenditure by the APPROPRIATE municipal agency [responsible for the  
8 production of such revenues by a supplementary appropriation ordinance recommended to the  
9 City Council by the Board of Estimates, duly passed by the City Council by a majority vote of its  
10 members and approved by the Mayor].

11 [(3) Further appropriations for programs included in the proposed Ordinance of  
12 Estimates made necessary by a material change in circumstances, or additional appropriations  
13 for new programs which could not reasonably be anticipated at the time of the formulation of the  
14 proposed Ordinance of Estimates, may be made available to the appropriate municipal agency  
15 for expenditure by a supplementary appropriation ordinance recommended to the City Council  
16 by the Board of Estimates, duly passed by the City Council by a vote of three-fourths of its  
17 members and approved by the Mayor.]

18 (c) (1) Every [such further or additional] SUPPLEMENTARY appropriation shall be embodied  
19 in a separate ordinance limited to a single program, purpose, activity, or project [therein] AS  
20 stated IN THE ORDINANCE[.,].

21 (2) [and] NOTWITHSTANDING ANY OTHER PROVISION OF THIS CHARTER, each [such]  
22 supplementary appropriation ordinance shall also[, anything contained in the Charter to the  
23 contrary notwithstanding,] provide the revenue necessary to pay the appropriation by a source,  
24 other than the full rate property tax, imposed under the authority of Article II. The revenue shall  
25 be levied and collected as directed in the ordinance. The estimate of the revenues to be derived  
26 from any source proposed in a supplementary appropriation ordinance shall be made by the  
27 Board of Estimates.

28 **SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED,** That this proposed amendment to the City  
29 Charter be submitted to the legal and qualified voters of Baltimore City, for adoption or  
30 rejection, in accordance with Article XI-A, § 5 of the Maryland Constitution, in the form  
31 specified by the City Solicitor.