CITY OF BALTIMORE

STEPHANIE RAWLINGS-BLAKE, Mayor



DEPARTMENT OF LAW

GEORGE A. NILSON, City Solicitor 101 City Hall Baltimore, Maryland 21202

June 29, 2010

Honorable President and Members of the City Council of Baltimore Room 409, City Hall 100 N. Holliday Street Baltimore, Maryland 21202

Attn: Karen Randle Executive Secretary

Re: City Council Bill No. 10-0528 - Amusement Devices - Clarification

Dear President and City Council Members:

You have requested the advice of the Law Department regarding City Council Bill 10-0528. City Council Bill 528 corrects an error that occurred when a prior bill was amended to provide for quarterly payments of certain fees and taxes on amusement devices. The amendment inadvenently made the quarterly payment option available to all fees and taxes provided for in the subtitle while the intent was that that option only apply to fees and taxes payable pursuant to Part 3.

There is no legal impediment to the bill's proposal. The Law Department notes however an error in line 16. The subtitle being amended should be "Subtitle 2" not "Subtitle 1." Subject to an amendment to correct this error, the Law Department approves the City Council Bill 09-0528 for form and legal sufficiency.

Sincerely yours,

Elena R. DiPietro Chief Solicitor

cc: Honorable James Kraft Angela Gibson George Nilson, City Solicitor Ashlea Brown Hilary Ruley Terese Brown

Amendment to City Council Bill 10-0528

1. On page 1, line 16 strike "1" and insert "2".