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	SUBJECT	City Council Bill 11-0274R		

TO

The Honorable President and Members  
of the City Council  
c/o Karen Randle  
Room 400 City Hall

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I am herein reporting on City Council Bill 11-0274R.

The purpose of this bill is to call a hearing to explore the City's current utilization of public/private partnerships, determine if sponsorship of City assets can legally be sold, and discuss which assets could best be used to increase corporate sponsorship or City activities.

The Department of Transportation (DOT) currently makes limited use of public/private partnerships. It sells corporate sponsorships for the Charm City Circulator, and enters into agreements with private organizations to share maintenance responsibilities for medians in the public right of way. DOT thinks that public/private partnerships, if done right, can avail options for the City to share responsibilities, risk, and reward with the private sector in a manner that benefits the citizens of Baltimore. For these reasons, DOT supports this resolution and the Council's efforts to investigate privatization opportunities in the City.

Respectfully,

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Director

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