

**CITY OF BALTIMORE
COUNCIL BILL 07-0706
(Resolution)**

Introduced by: Councilmembers Mitchell, D'Adamo, Holton, Reisinger

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Assigned to: Judiciary and Legislative Investigations Committee

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

A RESOLUTION ENTITLED

1 A RESOLUTION OF THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL concerning

2 **Charter Amendment – Board of Estimates – Composition**

3 FOR the purpose of reconstituting the Board of Estimates to comprise the Mayor, Comptroller,
4 and City Council President; correcting, conforming, and clarifying related provisions; and
5 submitting this amendment to 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) 1(a) and 10
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 **§ 1. Establishment and organization.**

- 16 (a) (1) There [shall be] IS a Board of Estimates, composed of the Mayor, ~~THE~~ President of the
17 City Council, ~~AND THE~~ Comptroller, [City Solicitor, and Director of Public Works,]
18 none of whom [shall] MAY receive any additional salary as members of the Board.
- 19 (2) The President of the City Council [shall be] IS President of the Board, and one of the
20 members [shall act] ACTS as Secretary.
- 21 (3) The Board may employ [such] THE employees [as may be] necessary to discharge its
22 duties[;]. [their] THEIR number and compensation shall be [fixed] AS PROVIDED in the
23 Ordinance of Estimates.

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

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1 **§ 10. Salaries.**

2 (a) [(1)] In preparing the Ordinance of Estimates, the Board of Estimates may increase or
3 decrease the salaries of all municipal officers, except[: (i) the] elected officials subject to
4 Article VII, §§ 117 through 125 of this Charter[: and (ii) the appointed municipal officers
5 who serve as members of the Board of Estimates,].

6 (B) [(2)] If the salary of an appointed municipal officer is so increased or decreased, it may
7 not again be increased or decreased, as the case may be, during that officer's term.

8 [(b)(1) The Mayor and City Council may, by ordinance, increase or decrease the salaries of
9 the appointed municipal officers who serve as members of the Board of Estimates.

10 (2) If the salary of an appointed municipal officer on the Board is so increased or
11 decreased, it may not again be increased or decreased, as the case may be, during that
12 officer's term.]

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