

**CITY OF BALTIMORE
COUNCIL BILL 10-0450
(First Reader)**

Introduced by: Councilmembers Henry, Curran, Branch, Cole, Middleton, Kraft, Holton,
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Assigned to: Policy and Planning Committee

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

A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ORDINANCE concerning

2 **City Streets – Snow Plowing Status**

3 FOR the purpose of requiring the Department of Transportation to make certain information
4 available to the public during a snow emergency; defining certain terms; requiring the
5 installation of tracking devices on City owned snow plows; providing for a special effective
6 date; and generally relating to snow plowing.

7 BY adding

8 Article 26 - Surveys, Streets, and Highways
9 Section(s) 34-1 to 34-4 to be under the new subtitle,
10 “Subtitle 34. Snow Plowing”
11 Baltimore City Code
12 (Edition 2000)

13 **SECTION 1. BE IT ORDAINED BY THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL OF BALTIMORE,** That the
14 Laws of Baltimore City read as follows:

15 **Baltimore City Code**

16 **Article 26. Surveys, Streets, and Highways**

17 **SUBTITLE 34. SNOW PLOWING**

18 **§ 34-1. DEFINITIONS.**

19 (A) *IN GENERAL.*

20 IN THIS SUBTITLE, THE FOLLOWING TERMS HAVE THE MEANINGS INDICATED.

21 (B) *REAL-TIME.*

22 “REAL-TIME” MEANS ACCURATE TO WITHIN 15 MINUTES OR LESS.

EXPLANATION: CAPITALS indicate matter added to existing law.
[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.

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1 (C) *SNOW EMERGENCY*.

2 "SNOW EMERGENCY" MEANS ANY TIME THAT PHASE I OR HIGHER OF THE BALTIMORE
3 SNOW EMERGENCY PLAN IS IN EFFECT.

4 **§ 34-2. {RESERVED}**

5 **§ 34-3. PUBLIC INFORMATION.**

6 DURING A SNOW EMERGENCY, AND AT ANY OTHER TIME DESIGNATED BY THE MAYOR, THE
7 DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION MUST POST THE FOLLOWING ON A SPECIALLY
8 DESIGNATED "SNOW PAGE" ACCESSIBLE TO THE PUBLIC THROUGH THE DEPARTMENT'S
9 WEBSITE:

10 (1) A LIST OF ALL CITY STREETS INDICATING THE PRIORITY ORDER IN WHICH THEY WILL
11 BE PLOWED;

12 (2) A MAP OF THE ROUTES ASSIGNED TO EACH CITY PLOW; AND

13 (3) A MAP THAT INDICATES IN REAL-TIME WHICH CITY STREETS HAVE AND HAVE NOT
14 BEEN PLOWED OR SALTED.

15 **§ 34-4. TRACKING DEVICES REQUIRED.**

16 ALL CITY OWNED SNOW PLOWS MUST BE EQUIPPED WITH A GPS, OR SIMILAR DEVICE, THAT
17 ALLOWS THE EXACT POSITION OF THE PLOW TO BE DETERMINED AND TRACKED IN REAL-TIME
18 FROM A CENTRAL LOCATION DESIGNATED BY THE CITY.

19 **SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED,** That the catchlines contained in this Ordinance
20 are not law and may not be considered to have been enacted as a part of this or any prior
21 Ordinance.

22 **SECTION 3. AND BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED,** That this Ordinance takes effect on the 180th
23 day after the date it is enacted.