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MEMORANDUM

Frence. Van Sant for M.G. Brookie

TO:

Honorable President and Members of the City Council

Attention: Karen Randle, Executive Secretary

FROM:

M. J. Brodie, Chairman

DATE:

October 25, 2011

SUBJECT:

City Council Bill 11-0640

Hotel Room Tax - Penalty

The Baltimore Hotel Corporation (BHC) has been asked to comment on City Council bill 11-0640, an ordinance for the purpose of reducing the penalty due for failing to collect, to make a proper return of, or to pay over to the Director of Finance, the hotel room tax; and generally relating to the imposition and enforcement of the hotel room tax. BHC respectfully defers this bill to the Baltimore City Law and Finance Departments.

BHC would like to note that, BHC d/b/a the Hilton Baltimore has paid the City hotel room taxes in a timely manner; we have not incurred any penalties since opening on August 22, 2008.

cc:

Kaliope Parthemos Angela Gibson

