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HEARING NOTES

Bill: 23-0418

Tobacco Product Use in Stadiums – Prohibition

Committee: Health, Environment, and Technology
Chaired by: Councilwoman Danielle McCray

Hearing Date: January 24, 2024
Time (Beginning): 10:08 AM
Time (Ending): 10:25 AM
Location: Council Chambers
Total Attendance: Approximately 20
Committee Members in Attendance:
Danielle McCray John Bullock
Mark Conway Ryan Dorsey

Bill Synopsis in the file?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> YES	<input type="checkbox"/> NO	<input type="checkbox"/> N/A
Attendance sheet in the file?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> YES	<input type="checkbox"/> NO	<input type="checkbox"/> N/A
Agency reports read?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> YES	<input type="checkbox"/> NO	<input type="checkbox"/> N/A
Hearing televised or audio-digitally recorded?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> YES	<input type="checkbox"/> NO	<input type="checkbox"/> N/A
Certification of advertising/posting notices in the file?.....	<input type="checkbox"/> YES	<input type="checkbox"/> NO	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> N/A
Evidence of notification to property owners?	<input type="checkbox"/> YES	<input type="checkbox"/> NO	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> N/A
Final vote taken at this hearing?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> YES	<input type="checkbox"/> NO	<input type="checkbox"/> N/A
Motioned by:	Councilman Dorsey		
Seconded by:	Councilman Conway		
Final Vote:	Favorable		

Major Speakers
(This is not an attendance record.)

- Kevin O’Flaherty, Campaign for Tobacco-Free Kids
- Dr. Panagis Galatsatos, John Hopkins School of Medicine

Major Issues Discussed

1. Council Member Bernett, the sponsor of the bill, explained that it was a common-sense public health measure to reduce young people's exposure to tobacco products at sporting events.
 2. The bill intended to set a positive example for youth and align with similar measures adopted by 16 other cities.
 3. Supporters of the bill included the Orioles, the Heart Association, and other stakeholders concerned with public health.
 4. The speakers highlighted the public health aspect of the bill, emphasizing the negative health impacts of tobacco use, especially secondhand smoke and nicotine, on children and pregnant individuals.
 5. Testimonies underscored the importance of creating a healthier environment at sporting events and promoting good examples for young adults.
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Further Study

Was further study requested?

Yes No

If yes, describe.

Committee Vote:

D. McCray: Yea
J. Bullock: Yea
M. Conway: Yea
R. Dorsey: Yea
P. Porter: Absent
J. Torrence: Absent
I. Schleifer: Absent

Deontre L. Hayes

Committee Staff: Deontre L. Hayes
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Date: January 26, 2024

**BALTIMORE CITY COUNCIL
HEALTH, ENVIORNMENT, AND TECHNOLOGY COMMITTEE
VOTING RECORD**

BILL#: 23-0418

DATE: January 24, 2024

TITLE: Tobacco Products - Tobacco Product Use in Stadiums

MOTION BY: Dorsey **SECONDED BY:** Conway

FAVORABLE

FAVORABLE WITH AMENDMENTS

UNFAVORABLE

WITHOUT RECOMMENDATION

NAME	YEAS	NAYS	ABSENT	ABSTAIN
McCray, D.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Bullock, J.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Conway, M.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Dorsey, R.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Schleifer, I.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Porter, P.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Torrence, J.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
TOTALS				

CHAIR: Danielle McCray x

Danielle McCray

COMMITTEE STAFF: Deontre Hayes, Initials: DAH



Baltimore City Council Committee Hearing Attendance Record

Subject: Council Bill – Tobacco Products – Tobacco Product Use in Stadiums	23-0418
Committee: Health, Environment, and Technology	Chair: Danielle McCray
Date: Wednesday, January 24, 2024	Time: 10:01 AM
Location: Council Chambers	

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First Name	Last Name	Address / Organization / Email	Testify	What is your position on this bill?		Lobbyist: Are you registered in the City?*	
				For	Against	Yes	No
Linus	Berggren	No Boundaries Coalition					

*NOTE: IF YOU ARE COMPENSATED OR INCUR EXPENSES IN CONNECTION WITH THIS BILL, YOU MAY BE REQUIRED BY LAW TO REGISTER WITH THE CITY ETHICS BOARD AS A LOBBYIST. REGISTRATION CAN BE DONE ONLINE AND IS A SIMPLE PROCESS. FOR INFORMATION VISIT: [HTTPS://ETHICS.BALTIMORECITY.GOV/](https://ethics.baltimorecity.gov/) OR CALL: 410-396-4730

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Meeting Minutes - Final

Health, Environment, and Technology

Wednesday, January 24, 2024

10:01 AM Virtual/Du Burns Chambers, 4th Floor, City Hall, Phone:
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Public, Link: [https://bmore.webex.com/bmore/j.php?
MTID=mf83f85cf633418a1a4e0bfb2ede74b32](https://bmore.webex.com/bmore/j.php?MTID=mf83f85cf633418a1a4e0bfb2ede74b32)

23-0418

CALL TO ORDER

INTRODUCTIONS

ATTENDANCE

Present 4 - Danielle N. McCray, John T. Bullock, Mark Conway, and Ryan Dorsey

Absent 3 - Phylcia Porter, James Torrence, and Isaac "Yitzy" Schleifer

ITEMS SCHEDULED FOR PUBLIC HEARING

23-0418

Tobacco Products - Tobacco Product Use in Stadiums - Prohibition

For the purpose of prohibiting the use of tobacco products in stadiums; defining certain terms; establishing certain penalties; and providing for a special effective date.

Sponsors: Kristerfer Burnett, Phylcia Porter, Ryan Dorsey, Sharon Green Middleton, Odette Ramos, John T. Bullock, Zeke Cohen, James Torrence

A motion was made by Dorsey, seconded by Conway, that this Ordinance be Recommended Favorably. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 4 - McCray, Bullock, Conway, and Dorsey

Absent: 3 - Porter, Torrence, and "Yitzy" Schleifer

ADJOURNMENT