

CITY OF BALTIMORE  
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The Honorable President and  
Members of the Baltimore  
City Council  
c/o Karen Randle, Executive Secretary  
409 City Hall  
Baltimore, MD 21202

RE: City Council Bill No. 12-0141 – Supplementary General Fund  
Capital Appropriation-Department of Transportation- \$7,200,000

Dear President and Members:

You have requested the advice of the Law Department regarding City Council Bill 12-0140. City Council Bill 12-0140 provides for a Supplementary General Fund Capital Appropriation for the Department of Transportation. The source of funds is Fiscal 2012 Fund Balance, specifically from Highway User Revenue, in excess of the revenue relied on by the Board of Estimates in determining the tax levy required to balance the budget for Fiscal Year 2013. This additional revenue could not have been reasonably anticipated when the Ordinance of 17 Estimates for Fiscal Year 2013 was formulated. This appropriation is made necessary by a material change in circumstances since the Ordinance of Estimates for Fiscal Year 2013 was formulated or is for a new program that could not have been reasonably anticipated when that Ordinance of Estimates was formulated.

City Council Bill 12-0141 is consistent with the authority of the City Council under Art. IV, Sec. 8. The Law Department, therefore, approves the bill for form and legal sufficiency.

Sincerely yours,



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