

Council Bill 14-0176R

1 These consistently high annual increases to water and wastewater fees combined with future
2 increases that will be needed to repay bond obligations create financial hardships on many of the
3 families in Baltimore as well as the households in the surrounding counties served by the City of
4 Baltimore’s water and wastewater utilities.

5 **NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF BALTIMORE,** That the
6 Departments of Public Works and Finance are requested to report to the Council on the water and
7 wastewater utility fee increases passed in 2013 to take effect in Fiscal Years 2015 and 2016, the
8 increases to the maximum aggregate principal revenue obligation the Water and Waste Water
9 utilities have requested the City Council approve by ordinance, the current status of the federal
10 mandates to improve the City’s water and wastewater systems, the overall capital improvement
11 plan for the water and wastewater utilities; and to discuss assistance and programs available to
12 assist those households that experience financial hardship as a result of these increases.

13 **AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED,** That a copy of this Resolution be sent to the President of the
14 United States, the Speaker of the House, the Senate Majority Leader, the Mayor, the Director of
15 Public Works, the Finance Director, and the Mayor’s Legislative Liaison to the City Council.