

**CITY OF BALTIMORE
COUNCIL BILL 11-0741
(First Reader)**

Introduced by: Councilmembers Spector, Stokes, Kraft, Reisinger, Branch, Welch

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Assigned to: Judiciary and Legislative Investigations Committee

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

A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ORDINANCE concerning

2 **Volunteer Ambulance Service – Parking, Standing, and Stopping**

3 FOR the purpose of excepting from certain parking, standing, and stopping regulations
4 emergency vehicles operated by a volunteer ambulance service.

5 BY repealing and reordaining, with amendments

6 Article 31 - Transit and Traffic

7 Section(s) 6-26

8 Baltimore City Code

9 (Edition 2000)

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

12 **Baltimore City Code**

13 **Article 31. Transit and Traffic**

14 **Subtitle 6. Parking, Standing, and Stopping Regulations**

15 **§ 6-26. Commercial vehicles.**

16 (a) *“Commercial vehicle” limited.*

17 In this section, “commercial vehicle” does not include a vehicle that:

18 (1) has a maximum gross vehicle weight of less than 7,000 pounds or a
19 manufacturer’s rated capacity of $\frac{3}{4}$ -ton;

20 (2) has no commercial advertising on the exterior of the body or on any attached
21 equipment compartments, or apparatus;

22 (3) is not visibly loaded with supplies or equipment; and

23 (4) is designed to carry 10 or fewer passengers.

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

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1 (b) *Stopping by residence.*

- 2 (1) Except as otherwise specified in this section, no vehicle that exceeds 20,000 pounds
3 gross vehicle weight and no commercial vehicle may park, stand, or stop longer than
4 1 hour continuously on any street, lane, or alley in front of or adjacent to any property
5 used or intended to be used as a residence.
- 6 (2) This subsection does not apply to a commercial vehicle that is parked for the purpose
7 of doing any public or private work for or on behalf of any person located within a
8 radius of 1 block from the property used or intended to be used as a residence.

9 (c) *Nighttime hours.*

10 Except as otherwise specified in this section, no vehicle that exceeds 20,000 pounds
11 gross vehicle weight and no commercial vehicle may park, stand, or stop longer than 1
12 hour continuously between the hours of 1 a.m. and 7 a.m. on any street, lane, or alley of
13 the City.

14 (d) *Exceptions.*

15 This section does not apply to:

16 (1) vehicles of the Police Department or the Fire Department; or

17 (2) emergency vehicles belonging to:

18 (I) the City; [or to]

19 (II) any public utility; OR

20 (III) ANY VOLUNTEER AMBULANCE SERVICE LICENSED BY THE MARYLAND
21 INSTITUTE FOR EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES SYSTEMS.

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

25 **SECTION 3. AND BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED,** That this Ordinance takes effect on the 30th day
26 after the date it is enacted.