

**CITY OF BALTIMORE
COUNCIL BILL 08-0259
(First Reader)**

Introduced by: Councilmembers Conaway, D'Adamo, Curran
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Assigned to: Judiciary and Legislative Investigations Committee

REFERRED TO THE FOLLOWING AGENCIES: City Solicitor, Mayor's Office of Criminal Justice,
Police Commissioner, Department of Finance

A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ORDINANCE concerning

2 **Metal Detectors for City Buildings**

3 FOR the purpose of requiring metal detectors in City buildings; defining certain terms; specifying
4 certain exemptions; and generally relating to the safety of those who work in, visit, or
5 otherwise occupy City buildings.

6 BY adding

7 Article 5 - Finance, Property, and Procurement
8 Section(s) 22-1 through 22-3, to be under the new subtitle heading,
9 "Subtitle 22. Metal Detectors in City Buildings"
10 Baltimore City Code
11 (Edition 2000)

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

14 **Baltimore City Code**

15 **Article 5. Finance, Property, and Procurement**

16 **SUBTITLE 22. METAL DETECTORS IN CITY BUILDINGS**

17 **§ 22-1. DEFINITIONS.**

18 (A) *IN GENERAL.*

19 IN THIS SUBTITLE, THE FOLLOWING TERMS HAVE THE MEANINGS INDICATED.

20 (B) *CITY BUILDING.*

21 "CITY BUILDING" MEANS ANY BUILDING OR PART OF A BUILDING THAT IS:

22 (1) OWNED BY THE CITY; OR

23 (2) OCCUPIED, WHETHER UNDER A LEASE OR OTHERWISE, BY A CITY AGENCY.

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

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1 (C) *METAL DETECTOR.*

2 "METAL DETECTOR" MEANS A DEVICE, WHETHER WALK-THROUGH OR HAND-HELD, THAT
3 ACTIVATES AN ALARM OR OTHER SIGNAL WHEN IT DETECTS METAL AT A SETTING
4 SPECIFIED BY THE POLICE COMMISSIONER.

5 **§ 22-2. EXEMPTIONS.**

6 THIS SUBTITLE DOES NOT APPLY TO ANY PART OF A CITY BUILDING THAT IS:

- 7 (1) OCCUPIED AS A RESIDENCE; OR
- 8 (2) OCCUPIED BY A PRIVATE INDIVIDUAL OR BUSINESS.

9 **§ 22-3. DETECTORS REQUIRED.**

10 EVERY ENTRANCE TO A CITY BUILDING MUST BE MONITORED AT ALL TIMES BY AN
11 ADEQUATELY SUPERVISED METAL DETECTOR.

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

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