

**CITY OF BALTIMORE
COUNCIL BILL 23-0453
(First Reader)**

Introduced by: Councilmember Ramos
Introduced and read first time: November 20, 2023
Assigned to: Ways and Means Committee

REFERRED TO THE FOLLOWING AGENCIES: City Solicitor, Department of Finance, Department of Planning, Department of Housing and Community Development, Planning Commission, Board of Estimates, Commission for Historical and Architectural Preservation, Environmental Control Board

A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ORDINANCE concerning

2 **Tax Credit – Brownfields Incentive Program – Termination of Program Participation**

3 FOR the purpose of winding down the City of Baltimore’s participation in the Brownfields
4 Incentive Program; and providing for a special effective date.

5 BY repealing and re-ordaining, with amendments

6 Article 28 - Taxes
7 Section 10-10(b)
8 Baltimore City Code
9 (Edition 2000)

10 BY adding

11 Article 28 - Taxes
12 Section 10-10(k)
13 Baltimore City Code
14 (Edition 2000)

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

17 **Baltimore City Code**

18 **Article 28. Taxes**

19 **Subtitle 10. Credits**

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

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1 **§ 10-10. Brownfields.**

2 (b) *Election to participate in Program.*

3 Pursuant to § 9-229 of the State Tax-Property Article AND SUBJECT TO SUBSECTION (K)
4 {"TERMINATION OF PROGRAM PARTICIPATION"} OF THIS SECTION, the City of Baltimore
5 elects to participate in the Brownfields Incentive Program and to provide the tax credits
6 authorized by this section.

7 (K) *TERMINATION OF PROGRAM PARTICIPATION.*

8 (1) *IN GENERAL.*

9 EXCEPT AS PROVIDED IN PARAGRAPH (2) OF THIS SUBSECTION, APPLICATIONS FOR THE
10 CREDIT AUTHORIZED BY THIS SECTION MAY NOT BE ACCEPTED AFTER
11 DECEMBER 31, 2024.

12 (2) *PENDING PROJECTS.*

13 THE DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE SHALL ACCEPT AN APPLICATION FOR A CREDIT UNDER
14 THIS SECTION IF THE UNDERLYING PROJECT:

15 (I) HAS SUBMITTED AN APPLICATION WITH THE MARYLAND DEPARTMENT OF THE
16 ENVIRONMENT BEFORE DECEMBER 31, 2024; AND

17 (II) HAS RECEIVED CERTIFICATION FOR COMPLETING THE VOLUNTARY CLEANUP NO
18 MORE THAN 60 DAYS AFTER JUNE 30, 2025.

19 **SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED,** That this Ordinance takes effect on the date it is
20 enacted.