

**CITY OF BALTIMORE
COUNCIL BILL 09-0288
(First Reader)**

Introduced by: Councilmembers Spector, Curran, Clarke, Holton, D'Adamo, Branch, Kraft,
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Assigned to: Taxation, Finance and Economic Development Committee

REFERRED TO THE FOLLOWING AGENCIES: City Solicitor, Police Department, Department of
Finance, Board of Estimates

A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ORDINANCE concerning

2 **Burglar Alarms – Registration Fees**

3 FOR the purpose of repealing the authority to impose certain registration and related fees on
4 users of burglar alarm systems; and generally relating to the registration and regulation of
5 burglar alarms.

6 BY repealing and reordaining, with amendments

7 Article 19 - Police Ordinances

8 Section(s) 8-2(b)(2), 8-5(a)

9 Baltimore City Code

10 (Edition 2000)

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

13 **Baltimore City Code**

14 **Article 19. Police Ordinances**

15 **Subtitle 8. Burglar Alarms - Registration and Regulation**

16 **§ 8-2. Rules and regulations.**

17 (b) *Scope.*

18 The Commissioner's rules and regulations shall include:

19 (2) subject to the approval of the Board of Estimates, reasonable fees TO BE PAID BY
20 CONTRACTORS AND MONITORS for registrations, renewals of registration, and
21 reinstatements of revoked registration under this subtitle;

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

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1 **§ 8-5. Registration – Users.**

2 (a) *Registration required.*

3 (1) An alarm system user must register with the Commissioner before the user’s
4 alarm system causes contact with police or results in a police response at the
5 user’s property.

6 (2) NO FEE MAY BE CHARGED TO A USER FOR A REGISTRATION, RENEWAL OF
7 REGISTRATION, OR REINSTATEMENT OF A REVOKED REGISTRATION UNDER THIS
8 SUBTITLE.

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

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