

**CITY OF BALTIMORE  
COUNCIL BILL 12-0117  
(First Reader)**

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Introduced by: The Council President  
At the request of: The Administration (Police Department)  
Introduced and read first time: August 13, 2012  
Assigned to: Public Safety Committee

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REFERRED TO THE FOLLOWING AGENCIES: City Solicitor, Police Department

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A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ORDINANCE concerning

2 **Gas- or Air-Pellet Guns – Redefining**

3 FOR the purpose of redefining “gas- or air-pellet gun”, as used in certain prohibitions against  
4 transferring these devices to minors or possessing, discharging, or using these devices in the  
5 City.

6 BY repealing and reordaining, with amendments

7 Article 19 - Police Ordinances  
8 Section(s) 59-26(a)(2)  
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 59. Weapons**

16 **§ 59-26. Gas- or air-pellet guns.**

17 (a) *Definitions.*

18 (2) *“Gas- or air-pellet gun”.*

19 “Gas- or air-pellet gun” means any gun or other device, by whatever name or  
20 description known, that [discharges] IS DESIGNED TO DISCHARGE OR CAN READILY BE  
21 CONVERTED TO DISCHARGE a pellet or other object by [force of gas or air cylinder or  
22 cartridge, by action of an explosive or combustible propellant, or by pump action] THE  
23 EXPANSION OF GAS OR AIR.

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

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

4       **SECTION 3. AND BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED,** That this Ordinance takes effect on the 30<sup>th</sup> day  
5 after the date it is enacted.