

**CITY OF BALTIMORE
ORDINANCE _____
Council Bill 05-0260**

Introduced by: The Council President
At the request of: The Administration (Health Department)
Introduced and read first time: September 26, 2005
Assigned to: Education, Housing, Health, and Human Services Committee
Committee Report: Favorable
Council action: Adopted
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AN ORDINANCE CONCERNING

1 **Animal Control – Exotic, Farm, and Other Animals**

2 FOR the purpose of requiring a permit to keep any exotic animal, farm animal, pigeon, or bees;
3 defining certain terms; and generally relating to the regulation and control of animals.

4 BY repealing and reordaining, without amendments

5 Article - Health
6 Section(s) 10-104 and 10-106
7 Baltimore City Revised Code
8 (Edition 2000)

9 BY repealing and reordaining, with amendments

10 Article - Health
11 Section(s) 10-312
12 Baltimore City Revised Code
13 (Edition 2000)

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

16 **Baltimore City Revised Code**

17 **Article – Health**

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19 **§ 10-104. Rules and regulations**

20 The rules and regulations that the Commissioner adopts under § 2-106 of this article may
21 include provisions:

EXPLANATION: CAPITALS indicate matter added to existing law.
[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.
Underlining indicates matter added to the bill by amendment.
~~Strike out~~ indicates matter stricken from the bill by amendment or deleted from existing law by amendment.

- 1 (1) for the issuance of permits and licenses under this title;
- 2 (2) requiring the humane care of all animals;
- 3 (3) governing the general care and control of animals; and
- 4 (4) governing the operation of facilities subject to this title.

5 **§ 10-106. Fees.**

6 With the approval of the Board of Estimates, the Commissioner may set fees and charges for:

- 7 (1) the issuance and renewal of all licenses and permits issued under this title;
- 8 (2) the removal or disposal of dead animals by the City for any animal clinic, humane
- 9 society, veterinary office, or other institution or agency; and
- 10 (3) any of the other services provided under this title.

11 **§ 10-312. [Vietnamese pot bellied pigs] EXOTIC, FARM, AND OTHER ANIMALS .**

12 (A) *DEFINITIONS.*

13 (1) *IN GENERAL.*

14 IN THIS SECTION, THE FOLLOWING TERMS HAVE THE MEANINGS INDICATED.

15 (2) *EXOTIC ANIMAL.*

16 “EXOTIC ANIMAL” MEANS:

- 17 (I) ANY NATIVE OR FOREIGN WILDLIFE WHOSE POSSESSION OR SALE IS PROHIBITED
- 18 BY FEDERAL, STATE, OR LOCAL LAW; AND
- 19 (II) ANY OTHER ANIMAL THAT THE COMMISSIONER SO SPECIFIES BY RULE OR
- 20 REGULATION.

21 (3) *FARM ANIMAL.*

22 “FARM ANIMAL” MEANS ANY:

- 23 (I) BOVINE;
- 24 (II) EQUINE;
- 25 (III) PORCINE;
- 26 (IV) CAPRINE; OR
- 27 (V) DOMESTIC FOWL.

1 (B) *PERMIT REQUIRED.*

2 No person may keep any [Vietnamese pot bellied pig] OF THE FOLLOWING without a
3 permit to do so from the Commissioner of Health:

- 4 (1) AN EXOTIC ANIMAL;
- 5 (2) A FARM ANIMAL;
- 6 (3) A PIGEON;
- 7 (4) BEES; OR
- 8 (5) A VIETNAMESE POT BELLIED PIG.

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.

Certified as duly passed this ____ day of _____, 20__

President, Baltimore City Council

Certified as duly delivered to His Honor, the Mayor,

this ____ day of _____, 20__

Chief Clerk

Approved this ____ day of _____, 20__

Mayor, Baltimore City