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| | Subject | Council Bill 12-0027: Zoning - Conditional Use - Amending Ordinance 02-422 | | |

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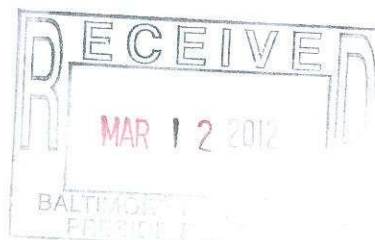
The Baltimore City Health Department (BCHD) is pleased to have the opportunity to review Council Bill 12-0027 Zoning - Conditional Use - Amending Ordinance 02-422. The purpose of this bill is to amend the maximum bed capacity for Helping Up Mission, a transitional housing facility for men, located on the property at 1017 East Baltimore Street.

This bill will allow Helping Up Mission to convert two floors in the building to add an additional 50 beds. This would bring the total number of beds to 100 at the property located at 1017 East Baltimore Street.

Helping up Mission provides excellent services to homeless men in recovery from drug and alcohol addiction. This 12 month residential program provides housing and other services, including individual and group counseling. The increase of an additional 50 beds will benefit the citizens of Baltimore City by allowing twice as many people to utilize this facility.

BCHD supports Council Bill 12-0027 and will participate at the hearing to provide any information that may be needed in assisting the council in making an informed decision.

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