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TO

The Honorable Bernard C. Young President, City Council of Baltimore 400 City Hall DATE:

May 25, 2011

The Environmental Control Board (ECB) supports the above Bill for the purpose of increasing certain penalties for illegal waste disposal. This bill imposes the liability for cleanup and repairs, damages on the individual who illegally dumps.

ECB often must address the impact of illegal dumping, and its effect on home owners who combat this problem on a daily basis. Illegal dumping is a public nuisance that depresses the value of potential home ownership in a community. It is not only an eyesore to the community; but in addition a health hazard to its citizens.

This is an imperative legal tool that will serve as an intensified mechanism for enhancing one of the Mayor's objectives 'Making Baltimore a cleaner, greener and more sustainable City.

ECB has no objection to this bill.

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