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BALTIMORE CITY COUNCIL BUDGET AND APPROPRIATIONS COMMITTEE

Mission Statement

The Budget and Appropriations Committee (BA) is responsible for ensuring taxpayer dollars are expended prudently and equitably. BA will exercise regular oversight of the funding and spending practices of City agencies, the City's budget, expenditures, loans, and other financial matters. The committee's areas of jurisdiction include all budgets & appropriations, taxation, financial services, consumer protection, audits, and the Comptroller's Office.

The Honorable Danielle McCray

Chairwoman

PUBLIC HEARING

TUESDAY, APRIL 08, 2025 9:00 AM

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Legislative Oversight LO25-0011

Briefing – Fiscal Year 2026 Preliminary Revenue Estimates

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BILL SYNOPSIS

Committee: Budget & Appropriations

Legislative Oversight # LO 25-0011

Briefing – Fiscal Year 2026 Preliminary Revenue Estimates

Sponsor:

President Cohen and Councilmember McCray, et al

Introduced:

February 10, 2025

Purpose:

For the purpose of calling on the Department of the Finance - Bureaus of Revenue and Collections and Budget and Management Research (BBMR), to brief the City Council on the Preliminary Revenue Estimates for Fiscal Year 2026, provide a comparison to FY 2025 and 2024.

Also, for the purpose of calling on the Department of Finance's Bureau of Budget and Management Research (BBMR), to come brief and update the City Council on Q2 Fiscal Year 2025 financial performance for the period ended December 31, 2024, and how this compares to the prior period.

Effective: This Legislative Oversight does not require a committee vote.

Agencies Reporting

Bureau of Revenue Collections	
Bureau of Budget and Management Research (BBMR)	

Analysis

Current Law

Baltimore City Code – Article 1, Subtitle 1-City Council, 1-6

§ 1-6. Agencies to provide legislative information.

It shall be the duty of the head of every City department or bureau established by the Baltimore City Charter or by ordinance to provide all technical materials, plats, drawings, and information that are requested by any member or the President of the City Council for the purpose of introducing legislation into the Council.

(City Code, 1976/83, art. 1, §6.) (Ord. 76-080.)

Background

On April 8, 2025 representatives from the City's Department of Finance will come before the committee to present a forecast for anticipated revenues for the next fiscal year; July 1, 2025 through June 30, 2026 to include comparing that forecast with the projected revenue for the current fiscal year (FY2025-July 1, 2024 through June 30, 2025) and with the revenue received last fiscal year (FY2024-July 1, 2023 through June 30, 2024).

Additional Information

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Fiscal Note:

Information Source(s): Purpose clause and all correspondence received as of this writing.

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