

**CITY OF BALTIMORE
COUNCIL BILL 13-0268
(First Reader)**

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Assigned to: Land Use and Transportation Committee

REFERRED TO THE FOLLOWING AGENCIES: City Solicitor, Board of Municipal and Zoning Appeals, Planning Commission, Baltimore Development Corporation, Baltimore City Parking Authority Board, Department of Housing and Community Development

A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ORDINANCE concerning

2 **Zoning – Sign Regulations for Video Lottery Facilities**

3 FOR the purpose of amending the definition of “video lottery facility” to include associated
4 parking facilities located on adjacent lots; and amending the sign regulations to establish
5 specific regulations for signs for video lottery facilities.

6 BY repealing and reordaining, with amendments

7 Article - Zoning

8 Section(s) 1-196.1, 11-416 (Chart, note (a)), and 11-417(a)

9 Baltimore City Revised 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 Revised Code**

14 **Article – Zoning**

15 **Title 1. Definitions; General Provisions**

16 **§ 1-196.1. Video lottery facility.**

17 (a) *In general.*

18 “Video lottery facility” means a facility that has been awarded a Video Lottery Operation
19 License by the Maryland Video Lottery Location Commission under State Government
20 Article, Title 9, Subtitle 1A.

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

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1 (b) *Inclusions.*

2 “Video lottery facility” includes:

- 3 (1) the permitted number of video lottery terminals;
- 4 (2) associated food and beverage operations; [and]
- 5 (3) associated live entertainment and dancing;[.] AND
- 6 (4) ASSOCIATED PARKING FACILITIES LOCATED ON ADJACENT LOTS.

7 **Title 11. Sign Regulations**

8 **Subtitle 4. Signs in Business and Industrial Districts**

9 **§ 11-416. Nameplates, business signs, and identification signs.**

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 11 ^(a)The total permitted area of all signs is the product in square feet of multiplying the lineal feet of the length
 12 of the building facing the front lot line by the area factor. Where the building wall fronts on 2 or more
 13 streets, the sign area for each street is computed separately. Also, where a building covers less than 200
 14 square feet of lot area, or a use is operated on the lot without a building, then the total area of all signs may
 15 not exceed an area factor of 1 for each foot of street frontage, computed separately for each street on which
 16 the lot adjoins. In no case may signs permitted under this section exceed a combined area of 500 square
 17 feet on any lot in B-1 Districts. NOTWITHSTANDING THE ABOVE PROVISIONS, THE TOTAL PERMITTED AREA OF
 18 ALL SIGNS FOR A VIDEO LOTTERY FACILITY IS NOT SUBJECT TO THE AREA FACTOR SET FORTH ABOVE. THE
 19 TOTAL PERMITTED AREA OF ALL SIGNS FOR A VIDEO LOTTERY FACILITY MAY NOT EXCEED 15,000 SQUARE
 20 FEET.
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22 **§ 11-417. Parking access signs.**

23 (a) *Section inapplicable to VIDEO LOTTERY FACILITIES AND TO special-event parking.*

24 This section does not apply to VIDEO LOTTERY FACILITIES OR TO special-event parking
 25 lots operating under and in compliance with City Code Article 15, Subtitle 13 {“Parking
 26 facilities – Special-Event Parking Lots”}. Special-event parking lots are subject to the
 27 signage requirements in Article 15, § 13-13 {“Identification signs”}.

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

31 **SECTION 3. AND BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED,** That this Ordinance takes effect on the 30th day
 32 after the date it is enacted.