

**CITY OF BALTIMORE
COUNCIL BILL 07-0651
(First Reader)**

Introduced by: Councilmember Kraft
Introduced and read first time: April 16, 2007
Assigned to: Public Safety Subcommittee

REFERRED TO THE FOLLOWING AGENCIES: City Solicitor, Planning Commission, Police Department, Department of Housing and Community Development, Mayor's Office of Criminal Justice, Department of Finance

A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ORDINANCE concerning

2 **Curfews – “Milk Bars”**

3 FOR the purpose of repealing the curfew on entertainment by and related provisions governing
4 so-called “milk bars”.

5 BY repealing

6 Article 19 - Police Ordinances
7 Section(s) 31-1 through 31-5, and
8 the subtitle designation “Subtitle 31. ‘Milk Bars’ ”
9 Baltimore City 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 Code**

14 **Article 19. Police Ordinances**

15 **[Subtitle 31. “Milk Bars”]**

16 **[§ 31-1. Purpose.**

17 It is hereby declared to be the intention of this subtitle to eliminate the objectionable features
18 and evils of so-called milk bars, as described by the report of the Grand Jury of Baltimore
19 City for the September Term, 1947.]

20 **[§ 31-2. Curfew on entertainment.**

21 No person, firm, or corporation having a license to sell milk, food, or other merchandise
22 shall, between the hours of 2 a.m. and 6 a.m. on any day except on New Year's Day, provide
23 any amusement or entertainment, such as dancing, music, or any exhibition of any character.]

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

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1 **[§ 31-3. Permits for special occasions.**

2 Provided, however, that the Police Commissioner may, in his discretion, grant a permit for
3 providing entertainment, etc., for any particular event or occasion.]

4 **[§ 31-4. Exemptions.**

5 Nothing herein contained shall be construed to prohibit the operation of a duly licensed
6 motion picture theatre between the hours of 2:00 a.m. and 6:00 a.m.]

7 **[§ 31-5. Penalties.**

8 Any person violating any of the provisions of this subtitle shall, upon conviction thereof, be
9 subject:

10 (1) to a penalty of not more than \$100 for the 1st offense; and

11 (2) for a 2nd or any subsequent offense, to a penalty of not more than \$100 or
12 confinement to jail not exceeding 6 months, or to both, in the discretion of the court.]

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

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