


<b>F R O M</b>	NAME & TITLE	Steve Sharkey, Director	<b>CITY of BALTIMORE  M E M O</b>	
	AGENCY NAME & ADDRESS	Department of Transportation (DOT) 417 E Fayette Street, Room 527		
	SUBJECT	City Council Bill 21-0114		

TO: Mayor Brandon M. Scott  
TO: Rules & Legislative Oversight Committee  
FROM: Department of Transportation  
POSITION: **No Objection**  
RE: Council Bill – 21-0114

DATE: 11/12/21

**INTRODUCTION** – Building, Fire, and Related Codes - Vacant Building Receivers - Failure to Sell

**PURPOSE/PLANS** – For the purpose of permitting a vacant building receiver to offer the property for sale to the Mayor and City Council of Baltimore City, if the property fails to sell at public auction; and providing certain limitations on the sale price.

**COMMENTS** – Council Bill 21-0114 seeks the authorization that would allow building receivers to sell properties to the City in the event the properties fail to sell at public auction. The new authorization would provide the City of Baltimore an additional tool to acquire and address distressed properties. Additionally, this proposal would likely provide the City a quicker option to solve challenges associated with distressed properties that struggle to find an interested buyer or developer.

**AGENCY/DEPARTMENT POSITION** – The Department of Transportation foresees no immediate significant fiscal or operation impact on the agency resulting from the advancement of Council Bill 21-0114 and has **no objection** regarding passage of the legislation.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact Liam Davis at [Liam.Davis@baltimorecity.gov](mailto:Liam.Davis@baltimorecity.gov) or at 410-545-3207.

Sincerely,

Steve Sharkey  
Director