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TO:

Public Safety and Government Operations Committee

I am herein reporting on City Council Bill 23-0427 introduced by Council Members Cohen and Bullock.

The purpose of the Bill is to add the Baltimore Police Department to the list of City agencies who are required to designate two agency staff members to participate in certain trauma-informed training and activities.

Ordinance 20-341 established the Baltimore City Trauma-Informed Care Task Force that requires agencies to provide employees with annual trauma-informed care training so they may assist with assessing their agency's policies, procedures and programs and make appropriate recommendations to the agency head via a trauma-intensive approach. Ordinance 20-341 amended the originating ordinance to add one seat to the Task Force and clarified that two members must be educators with the Baltimore City Public School System (BCPSS). The Council membership was increased from one to two members, with one Council member having educator experience in the BCPSS and one with experience as a parent of a BCPSS student.

City Council Bill 23-0427, if approved, would add the Baltimore Police Department to the list of agencies subject to the Trauma-Informed Care Act. The Department of Public Works recognizes that, with the Baltimore Police Department now under the jurisdiction of the City of Baltimore, it is appropriate to add this new agency to the listing of agencies in the Act, and, therefore, has no objection to its passage.

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