## **CITY OF BALTIMORE ORDINANCE** Council Bill 23-0459

Introduced by: The Council President

At the request of: The Administration (Department of Finance)

Introduced and read first time: December 4, 2023 Assigned to: Finance and Performance Committee

Committee Report: Favorable Council action: Adopted

Read second time: December 18, 2023

## AN ORDINANCE CONCERNING

1 2	Supplementary General Fund Operating Appropriation – Fire Department – \$18,900,000	
3	FOR the purpose of providing a Supplementary General Fund Operating Appropriation in the	
4	amount of \$18,900,000 to the Fire Department – Service 609 (Emergency Medical Services),	
5	to provide funding for balancing the Fire Department budget for Fiscal Year 2023 due to	
6	costs associated with staff overtime payments and contractual services to provide Basic Life	
7	Service ambulance services; and providing for a special effective date.	
8	By authority of	
9	Article VI - Board of Estimates	
10	Section 8(b)(2)(iii) and (c)	
11	Baltimore City Charter	
12	(1996 Edition)	
13	Recitals	
14	The revenue appropriated by this Ordinance represents \$18,900,000 in excess of the revenue	
15	relied on by the Board of Estimates in determining the tax levy required to balance the budget for	
16	Fiscal Year 2023.	
17	This additional revenue could not have been reasonably anticipated when the Ordinance of	
18	Estimates for Fiscal Year 2023 was formulated.	
19	This appropriation is made necessary by a material change in circumstances since the	
20	Ordinance of Estimates for Fiscal Year 2023 was formulated or is for a new program that could	
21	not have been reasonably anticipated when that Ordinance of Estimates was formulated.	
22	On November 15, 2023, the Board of Estimates recommended this appropriation to the City	
23	Council.	

**EXPLANATION:** CAPITALS indicate matter added to existing law. [Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law. Underlining indicates matter added to the bill by amendment. Strike out indicates matter stricken from the bill by amendment or deleted from existing law by amendment.

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SECTION 1. BE IT ORDAINED BY THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL OF BALTIMORE, That
\$18,900,000 shall be made available to the Fire Department – Service 609 (Emergency Medical
Services) as a Supplementary General Fund Operating Appropriation for Fiscal Year 2023, to
provide funding for balancing the Fire Department budget for Fiscal Year 2023 due to costs
associated with staff overtime payments and contractual services to provide Basic Life Service
ambulance services. The source of revenue for this appropriation is generated from investment
earnings in excess of the amount from this source that was relied on by the Board of Estimates in
determining the tax levy required to balance the budget for Fiscal Year 2023.

**SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED**, That this Ordinance takes effect on the date it is enacted.

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Certified as duly passed this18_ day of	December				
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		President, Baltimore City Council			
Certified as duly delivered to His Honor, the Mayor,					
this <u>18</u> day of <u>December</u> , 20 23					
		Natawna B. Austin			
		Chief Clerk			
Approved this 17th day of January, 2024					
		Brandon M. Scott			
		Mayor, Baltimore City			

Approved for Form and Legal Sufficiency This 18th Day of December, 2023.

Chief Solicitor