CITY OF BALTIMORE ORDINANCE Council Bill 24-0520

Introduced by: The Council President

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

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Assigned to: Finance and Performance Committee

Committee Report: Favorable Council action: Adopted

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AN ORDINANCE CONCERNING

1	Parking Facilitators and Taxes	
2 3 4	FOR the purpose of requiring online, mobile, and other third-party booking platforms for parking spaces to pay the City parking tax required by City Code Article 28, Subtitle 22 and defining certain terms.	
5	By repealing and re-ordaining, with amendments	
6	Article 28 - Taxes	
7	Sections 22-1(c) through (j), 22-3(a), 22-5(a)(1)	
8	Baltimore City Code	
9	(Edition 2000)	
10	By adding	
11	Article 28 - Taxes	
12	Section 22-1(c)	
13	Baltimore City Code	
14	(Edition 2000)	
15	SECTION 1. BE IT ORDAINED BY THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL OF BALTIMORE, That the	
16	Laws of Baltimore City read as follows:	
17	Baltimore City Code	
18	Article 28. Taxes	
19	Subtitle 22. Parking Tax	

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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1	§ 22-1. Definitions.
2	(C) FACILITATOR.
3 4 5	"FACILITATOR" MEANS A BUSINESS ENTITY THAT MAKES PARKING SPACES IN THE CITY AVAILABLE FOR USE BY A PERSON THROUGH AN ONLINE, MOBILE, OR OTHER THIRD-PARTY BOOKING PLATFORM:
6	(1) FOR A CERTAIN AMOUNT OF TIME; AND
7	(2) FOR A FEE.
8	(D) [(c)] <i>Garage</i> .
9 10	"Garage" means any structure or part of a structure for the parking of 3 or more motor vehicles in exchange for a fee or other consideration.
1	(E) [(d)] Motor Vehicle.
12	"Motor vehicle" means:
13	(1) any self-propelled vehicle; and
14 15	(2) any other vehicle required to be registered under the laws of this State or of any other state.
16	(F) [(e)] <i>Operator</i> .
17	"Operator" means any person who controls, conducts, or operates a parking lot or garage
18	(G) [(f)] Parking.
19 20 21	"Parking" means any parking, storing, housing, or keeping of a motor vehicle, whether self-service, valet-service, long-term, short-term, ticketed metered, THROUGH COORDINATION WITH A FACILITATOR, for special events only, or otherwise.
22	(H) [(g)] Parking lot.
23 24	"Parking lot" means any outdoor area or space for the parking of 3 or more motor vehicles in exchange for a fee or other consideration.
25	(I) [(h)] <i>Person</i> .
26	(1) In general.
27 28	"Person" has the meaning stated in § 1-107(a) {"Person: In general"} of the City Code's General Provisions Article.

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1	(2) Inclusion of governmental entities.	
2 3 4	Notwithstanding § 1-107(b) {"Person: Exclusion"} of the General Provisions Article, in this subtitle "person" also includes a governmental entity or an instrumentality or unit of a governmental entity.	
5	(J) [(i)] Transaction.	
6 7	"Transaction" means the parking of a motor vehicle on a parking lot or in a garage in exchange for a fee or other consideration.	
8	§ 22-3. Collection and remittance.	
9	(a) In general.	
10 11 12 13	For all parking, whether on an hourly, daily, weekly, monthly, or longer basis, the tax is 20% of [the] ANY fee or other consideration received, directly or indirectly, BY THE OPERATOR OF THE PARKING LOT OR GARAGE OR THE FACILITATOR, for or in connection with that parking.	
14	§ 22-5. Collection and remittance.	
15	(a) Collection.	
16 17 18	(1) (i) Except as provided in paragraph (2) of this subsection, the operator of the parking lot or garage OR THE FACILITATOR, must collect the tax imposed by this subtitle from the person seeking the privilege of parking.	
19 20 21 22	(ii) The operator OR THE FACILITATOR, must collect the tax at the same time that the operator OR THE FACILITATOR collects [the] ANY fee or other consideration charged for parking, whether that fee or other consideration is charged on an hourly, daily, weekly, monthly, or other basis.	
23 24	SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED , That this Ordinance takes effect on the 30 th day after the date it is enacted.	

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Certified as duly passed this 24 day of	ne, 20 <u>24</u>
	President, Baltimore City Council
Certified as duly delivered to His Honor, the May	or,
this <u>24</u> day of <u>June</u> , 20 <u>24</u>	
	Chief Clerk
Approved this 11 day of July, 202	Standon M. Scott Mayor, Baltimore City
	Mayor, Baltimore City
Approved for Form and Legal Sufficiency This 25th Day of June, 2024. Elena R. Di Pietro	