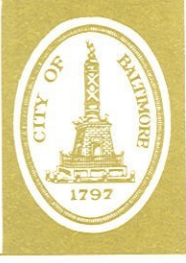


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DATE: May 21, 2008

TO The Honorable President and
Members of the City Council
Room 400, City Hall

Attention: Ms. Karen Randle

As proposed, City Council Bill Number 08-0122 would authorize the transfer of General Fund Operating Appropriations in the amount of \$1,375,312 to the Fire Department – (Program 212 – Fire Suppression) to provide funding for additional operating expenses.

The source of funds for this appropriation transfer (\$1,375,312) will be from various agency programs.

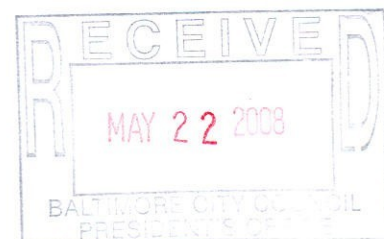
As part of the strategy to deal with the impact on budgeted revenues due to a continuing downturn in the economy, the Administration imposed a budget freeze on spending for Fiscal 2008 last November on all non-public safety agencies. The purpose of the budget freeze is to preserve appropriations, through limited spending, wherever possible, in order to cover actual operating deficits in agencies that may have overspent their budgets

This ordinance will authorize the transfer of appropriation surpluses from several agencies to cover the operating budget deficit in the Fire Department.

The Department of Finance recommends approval of City Council Bill 08-0122.

cc: Edward F. Gallagher
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