

CITY OF BALTIMORE

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October 15, 2008

The Honorable President and
Members of the Baltimore
City Council
c/o Karen Randle, Executive Secretary
409 City Hall
Baltimore, MD 21202

RE: City Council Bill 08-0144 – Non-Owner-Occupied Dwellings
Registration Requirements

Dear President and Members

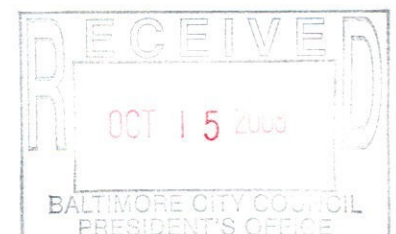
You have requested the advice of the Law Department regarding City Council Bill 08-0144. City Council Bill 144 amends Article 13, Section 4-6 of the Baltimore City Code by changing the information requested when registering non-owner-occupied dwellings.

City Council Bill 08-0144 would require owners who are individuals to provide either a business or personal residence address and telephone number. Corporations and similar entities would be required to provide the name of the resident agent and their business and telephone number. Partnerships and similar entities would be required to provide the name of a responsible partner or officer and that individual's business or telephone number. For property managed by other than the owner, the name of the managing operator and that operator's business address and telephone number would be required at registration.

There are no legal impediments to the proposed amendments to Article 13, Section 4-6 of the City Code contained in City Council Bill 08-0144. The Law Department, therefore, approves the City Council Bill 08-0144 for form and legal sufficiency.

Sincerely yours,

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