

**CITY OF BALTIMORE
COUNCIL BILL 09-0355
(First Reader)**

Introduced by: Councilmembers Welch, Branch, Kraft, D'Adamo, Clarke, Holton, Conaway,
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Assigned to: Judiciary and Legislative Investigations Committee

REFERRED TO THE FOLLOWING AGENCIES: City Solicitor, Fire Department

A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ORDINANCE concerning

2 **Open-Flame Cooking Devices – Limitations**

3 FOR the purpose of extending the prohibition against using open-flame cooking devices on or
4 near combustible construction to apply to attached and semi-detached dwellings.

5 BY repealing and reordaining, with amendments

6 Article - Building, Fire, and Related Codes

7 Section(s) 8-102 (FC § 308.3)

8 Baltimore City Revised Code

9 (Edition 2000)

10 **SECTION 1. BE IT ORDAINED BY THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL OF BALTIMORE,** That the
11 Laws of Baltimore City read as follows:

12 **Baltimore City Revised Code**

13 **Article – Building, Fire, and Related Codes**

14 **Part VIII. International Fire Code**

15 **§ 8-102. City modifications.**

16 The additions, deletions, amendments, and other modifications adopted by the City are
17 as follows:

18 **Chapter 3. General Precautions Against Fire**

19 **Section 308 Open Flames**

20 **308.1 to [308.4] 308.2 {As in IFC}**

EXPLANATION: CAPITALS indicate matter added to existing law.
[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.

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1 **308.3 Open flame. {As in IFC}**

2 **308.3.1 Open-flame cooking devices.** Charcoal burners and other open-flame cooking
3 devices [shall] MAY not be operated on combustible balconies or within 10 feet (3048
4 mm) of combustible construction.

5 **Exceptions:**

- 6 1. [One- and two-family] SINGLE-FAMILY DETACHED dwellings, AS DEFINED IN
7 ZONING ARTICLE § 1-136.
- 8 2. Where buildings, balconies, and decks are protected by an automatic sprinkler
9 system.

10 **308.3.1.1 Liquefied-petroleum-gas-fueled cooking devices.** LP-gas burners having
11 an LP-gas container with a water capacity greater than 2.5 pounds {nominal 1 pound
12 (0.454 kg) LP-gas capacity} [shall] MAY not be located on combustible balconies or
13 within 10 feet (3048 mm) of combustible construction.

14 **Exception:** [One- and two-family] SINGLE-FAMILY DETACHED dwellings, AS
15 DEFINED IN ZONING ARTICLE § 1-136.

16 **308.4 {As in IFC}**

17 **SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED,** That the catchlines contained in this Ordinance
18 are not law and may not be considered to have been enacted as a part of this or any prior
19 Ordinance.

20 **SECTION 3. AND BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED,** That this Ordinance takes effect on the 30th day
21 after the date it is enacted.