



CITY OF BALTIMORE
MAYOR BRANDON M. SCOTT

TO	The Honorable President and Members of the Baltimore City Council
FROM	Erin C. Murphy – Director of Government Relations – Baltimore Police Department
CC	Mayor’s Office of Government Relations
DATE	2/13/25
SUBJECT	25-0005 Arson Offender Registry – Registration Requirement

Position: Favorable

BILL SYNOPSIS

The Baltimore Police Department (BPD) has reviewed Council Bill 25-0005, for the purpose of altering the criteria for registering as an arson offender with the Police Commissioner; and providing for a special effective date.

SUMMARY OF POSITION

The Baltimore Police Department will maintain and monitor the arson offender registry in compliance with City Council Bill 25-0005 and Article 19 – Police Ordinances, Section 61-3(a) of the Baltimore City Code. The Baltimore Police Department will update, monitor and maintain the arson registry. It is the responsibility of the State’s Attorney’s Office to request registration as a part of an offender’s sentence. An offender’s sentence is within the discretion of the trial court.

FISCAL IMPACT

The Baltimore Police Department does not anticipate a fiscal impact if this legislation is enacted.

AMENDMENTS

The Baltimore Police Department has no requested amendments for Council Bill 25-0005.