



BALTIMORE POLICE DEPARTMENT



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FREDERICK H. BEALEFELD, III
Police Commissioner

TO: The Honorable President and Members
of the Baltimore City Council
Room 400 City Hall
Attn. Karen Randle

FROM: James H. Green, Deputy Chief Legal Counsel
Baltimore Police Department

RE: City Council Bill No. 09-0432-Parking, Standing, and Stopping of
Vehicles-Obstructing Alleys

The Baltimore Police Department (BPD) has reviewed City Council Bill No. 09-0432-Parking, Standing, and Stopping of Vehicles-Obstructing Alleys and supports the bill. This legislation proposes to clarify the law relating to the obstructing the free passage of traffic with a vehicle and provides certain exceptions.

The Department of Law report dated June 1, 2010 discusses the overall grant of the authority with respect to parking regulations and recommends an amendment to limit the proposed legislation to areas within business or residential districts. The BPD concurs with this recommendation and does not believe there are any operational concerns for the Department with its passage. The bill will indeed clarify some of the enforcement concerns that exist today. Thank you for the opportunity to comment on this legislation.

cc: Angela Gibson, Mayor's Legislative Liaison

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