



# BALTIMORE POLICE DEPARTMENT



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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. 10-0446-Public Ethics Law-Clarification and  
Expanded Coverage

The Baltimore Police Department (BPD) has reviewed City Council Bill No. 10-0446-Public Ethics Law-Clarification and Expanded Coverage and supports the bill. This legislation proposes to clarify certain definitions and the provisions regarding restrictions on participation and the solicitation and acceptance of gifts subject to financial disclosure.

It remains important to the City and those covered under this legislation that the definitions and provisions are clear and ensure the overall public trust in government. The BPD stands willing to assist in the City's collective efforts in this area. Thank you for the opportunity to comment on this legislation.

cc: Angela Gibson, Mayor's Legislative Liaison

