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	SUBJECT	City Council CCB11-0004 Late-Night Commercial Operations – Licensing - Revised

CITY of  
BALTIMORE  
**MEMO**



TO  
Honorable President and  
Members of the City Council  
C/O Karen Randle  
Room 409, City Hall

DATE: April 10, 2012

This CCB11-0004 Late-Night Commercial Operations - Licensing is for the purpose of implementing a mandatory license fee to be obtained by certain late-night commercial businesses.

**Analysis**

This bill will require all businesses in any residential, office-residential, neighborhood and community business districts to obtain a Late-Night operation license in order to be open to the public between 12:00am and 5:00am. The Finance Department proposes an annual license of fee that is \$460 that is renewed annually.

**Fiscal Impact**

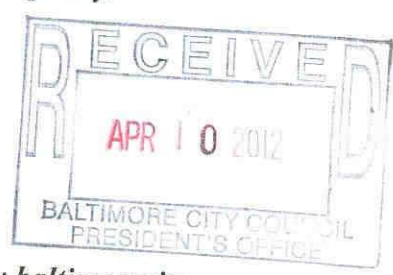
Because the targeted businesses subject to the proposed fee are not easy identifiable, it is proposed that the fee set for this legislation be subject to the City's fee policy. This will enable the City to adjust the fees once the actual costs are known.

It is estimated that the new late-night operation license will potentially be issued to about 143 businesses including 79 convenient stores, 19 gas stations, and 46 pharmacies and other retail stores for annual potential revenue of \$65,800 at an initial fee of \$460 per business. The implementation of this fee will be handled by our collections department, and will require additional FTE's to inspect and manage the issuance and renewal of these licenses. In addition, it is estimated the City will incur training, equipment, supplies, and transportation expenditures for a total estimated at \$66,300 for Fiscal 2013. The implementation of this legislation with the amendment will essentially be budget neutral.

**Recommendation**

The Department of Finance supports this bill with an amendment for the fees to be automatically set in accordance with the City fee policy.

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