

CITY OF BALTIMORE  
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March 3, 2015

The Honorable President and Members  
of the Baltimore City Council  
Attn: Natawna B. Austin, Executive Secretary  
Room 409, City Hall, 100 N. Holliday Street  
Baltimore, Maryland 21202

Re: City Council Bill 15-0481 – Transit and Traffic – Impeding Traffic by School  
Grounds

Dear President and City Council Members:

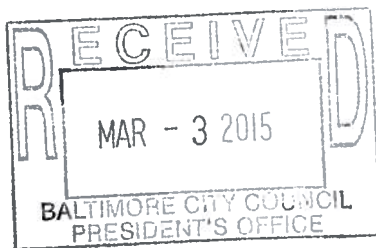
The Law Department has reviewed City Council Bill 15-0481 for form and legal sufficiency. The bill increases the fine, without providing prior warning, for vehicles that park, stop, or stand in a manner that obstructs or impedes the free flow of traffic by school grounds during certain hours. The bill also clarifies, corrects and conforms related language.

City Council Bill 15-0481 creates an offense which is within the City's authority to establish under the Maryland Vehicle Law, *see* Md. Transp. Code Ann., § 25-102(a)(1), and is consistent with the City's powers under the Charter to regulate the use of streets and public ways and to establish fines for violations of City ordinances. *See* Baltimore City Charter, Art. II, §§ 34(d), 48. Therefore, the Law Department approves the bill for form and legal sufficiency.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Jennifer Landis".

Jennifer Landis  
Assistant Solicitor



cc: George Nilson, City Solicitor  
Angela C. Gibson, Mayor's Legislative Liaison  
Elena DiPietro, Chief Solicitor, General Counsel Division  
Victor Tervalá, Chief Solicitor  
Hilary Ruley, Chief Solicitor

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