## CITY OF BALTIMORE

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Honorable President and Members of the City Council of Baltimore Room 409, City Hall 100 N. Holliday Street Baltimore, Maryland 21202

Attn: Karen Randle Executive Secretary

> Re: City Council Bill 10-0472 Parking etc., Violations - Fines

Dear President and City Council Members:

You have requested the advice of the Law Department regarding City Council Bill 10-0472. City Council Bill 472 modifies the fines for certain parking, standing, stopping, and other offenses.

There appears to be a typographical error in Section 36-8 (4) of the introductory copy of the bill which reads "stopping in front of or opposite a fire engine house ... is punishable by a fine of [\$50] \$50." The new fine should be changed from \$50 to \$60 to be consistent with the rest of the section.

City Council Bill 472 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, 48. Therefore, the Law Department would approve the bill for form and legal sufficiency.

Sincerely yours.

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