

CITY OF BALTIMORE

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

Re: City Council Bill 18-0254 – Property Tax Credit – School Public Safety
Officers

Dear President and City Council Members:

The Law Department has reviewed City Council Bill 18-0254 for form and legal sufficiency. The bill would modify Section 10-21 of the Taxes Article of the Baltimore City Code, which already provides for a real property tax credit for certain Baltimore City Fire, Police and Sheriff's Office personnel to include similar personnel from the Baltimore City Public School System. This addition is authorized by Section 9-304(i) of the Tax-Property Article of the Maryland Code, which was recently modified by the General Assembly to allow for this expansion of the credit. 2018 Laws of Md., ch. 229.

Since City Council Bill 18-0254 is consistent with the powers granted to the Mayor and City Council by the State, the Law Department approves it for form and legal sufficiency.

Very truly yours,

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Chief Solicitor

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