

**CITY OF BALTIMORE  
COUNCIL BILL 25-0005  
(First Reader)**

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Introduced by: The Council President  
At the request of: The Administration (Mayor's Office of Government Relations)  
Cosponsored by: Councilmember Schleifer  
Introduced and read first time: January 13, 2025  
Assigned to: Public Safety Committee

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REFERRED TO THE FOLLOWING AGENCIES: City Solicitor, Department of Finance, Police  
Department, Fire Department

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A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ORDINANCE concerning

2 **Arson Offender Registry – Registration Requirement**

3 FOR the purpose of altering the criteria for registering as an arson offender with the Police  
4 Commissioner; and providing for a special effective date.

5 BY repealing and re-ordaining, with amendments,

6 Article 19 – Police Ordinances

7 Section 61-3(a)

8 Baltimore City Code

9 (Edition 2000)

10 **SECTION 1. BE IT ORDAINED BY THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL OF BALTIMORE**, That the  
11 Laws of Baltimore City read as follows:

12 **Baltimore City Code**

13 **Article 19. Police Ordinances**

14 **Subtitle 61. Arson Offender Registration**

15 **§ 61-3. Registration – In general.**

16 (a) *Registration required.*

17 An arson or malicious burning offender must register with the [Commissioner if the  
18 offender is charged with a subsequent arson or malicious burning offense.]  
19 COMMISSIONER.

20 **SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED**, That this Ordinance takes effect on the date it is  
21 enacted.

EXPLANATION: CAPITALS indicate matter added to existing law.  
[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.