

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 18-0235 – Supplementary State Fund Operating  
Appropriation –Health Department– \$239,511

Dear President and City Council Members:

The Law Department has reviewed City Council Bill 18-0235 for form and legal sufficiency. The bill provides a Supplementary State Fund Operating Appropriation in the amount of \$239,511 to the Baltimore City Health Department. The bill shall take effect on the date that it is enacted.

The City Charter establishes the criteria for making supplementary appropriations. City Charter, Art. VI, §8. Section 8(b) of Article VI of the City Charter permits such a supplementary appropriation to be made available to the appropriate municipal agency when funds become available from private or public sources that could not be expected with reasonable certainty at the time of the formulation of the proposed Ordinance of Estimates. The supplementary appropriation must be recommended by the Board of Estimates and must be approved by the Mayor and City Council via an ordinance, which may only encompass a “single program, purpose, activity or project.” See Sec. 8(c). The bill provides that the source of revenue is a grant from the Maryland Department of Health to provide funding to facilitate the integration of Ryan White Services within the City.

The Law Department approves this bill for form and legal sufficiency.

Sincerely yours,

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