

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 No. 11-0743 – Beverage Container Tax –
Modifying “Sunset”

Dear President and City Council Members:

You have requested the advice of the Law Department regarding City Council Bill 11-0743. City Council Bill 743 amends the Section 3 of Ordinance 10-343 which provides for the effective date of the beverage container tax bill and the automatic termination of the tax after three years which would be approximately July 25, 2013. City Council Bill 743 modifies the date of automatic termination of the tax or “sunset” to June 30, 2012 approximately 11 months earlier than provided for in the original legislation.

The bill is consistent with the authority of the City Council. Accordingly, the Law Department approves City Council Bill 11-0743 for form and legal sufficiency.

Sincerely yours,

Elena R. DiPietro
Chief Solicitor

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