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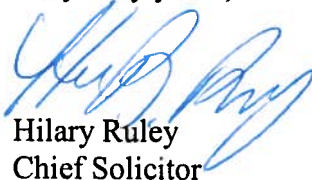
The Honorable President and Members  
of the Baltimore City Council  
Attn: Executive Secretary  
Room 409, City Hall  
100 N. Holliday Street  
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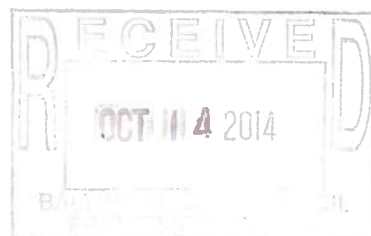
Re: City Council Bill 14-0441 – Non-Owner Occupied Dwellings, Rooming Houses, and Vacant Structures – City Council Access to Registration Statements

Dear President and City Council Members:

The Law Department has reviewed City Council Bill 14-0441 for form and legal sufficiency. The bill adds the City Councilmember in whose district a non-owner occupied dwelling, rooming house or vacant structure is located to be an additional recipient of the name, address, telephone and email address of the owner or operator of that structure. Although Maryland's Public Information Act, now codified in Title 4 of the General Provisions Article of the Maryland Code, often pre-empts a local governments' ability to make laws concerning the release of certain information, no such issue arises here. Therefore, the Law Department approves this bill for form and legal sufficiency.

Very truly yours,

  
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Chief Solicitor



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