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	SUBJECT	Council Bill 08-0144 Non-Owner-Occupied Dwellings – Registration Information





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DATE:

President Stephanie Rawlings-Blake and Honorable Members of the Baltimore City Council 100 North Holliday Street - City Hall July 8, 2008

MOIT's position and recommended action is to support Council Bill 08-0144, entitled "Non-Owner-Occupied Dwellings – Registration Information".

Without a more thorough requirements definition, MOIT through the existing legacy Rental Registration System should be able to supply the required information for the purpose of producing the Rental Registration statements. This could be done within the limitations of the accuracy of the Rental Registration File. MOIT would defer to the Department of Housing and Community Development as to the appropriateness of the Rental Registration System in meeting the needs of this legislation. It is possible that the file does not contain the (6) connotations of data mentioned as required in the legislation.

The legislation will require substantial modifications to the Rental Registration Online and Batch systems, to allow for the entry and maintenance of the data for all registrants. It would also require reporting changes, and form changes to accommodate the information being required. If the information can be obtained from the registrants, and the system is kept up to date, the City will be able to acquire on-demand contact information regarding the property in a very timely manner. The citizens will benefit, from receiving timely information regarding their registered properties, thus speeding up the resolution of issues regarding any premises.

The City of Baltimore should benefit from a more timely collection of registration fees, and reduce the number of properties which make it to Tax Sale, for this type of fee. The modification to the existing system would require approximately 4 months of effort.

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