

**CITY OF BALTIMORE  
COUNCIL BILL 11-0721  
(Resolution)**

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Introduced by: Councilmembers Holton, Henry, Branch, Clarke, Reisinger, D'Adamo, Curran,  
President Young, Councilmembers Spector, Middleton, Conaway, Welch, Kraft, Cole

Introduced and read first time: June 20, 2011

Assigned to: Judiciary and Legislative Investigations Committee

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REFERRED TO THE FOLLOWING AGENCIES: City Solicitor, Department of Finance, Board of  
Estimates

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A RESOLUTION ENTITLED

1 A RESOLUTION OF THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL concerning

2 **Charter Amendment – Board of Estimates – Local, Small, and Disadvantaged Business**  
3 **Enterprise Program**

4 FOR the purpose of authorizing the waiver or modification of certain procedures in order to assist  
5 local, small, or disadvantaged businesses; and submitting this amendment to the qualified  
6 voters of the City for adoption or rejection.

7 BY amending

8 Article VI - Board of Estimates

9 Section(s) 11

10 Baltimore City Charter

11 (1996 Edition)

12 **SECTION 1. BE IT RESOLVED BY THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL OF BALTIMORE,** That the  
13 City Charter is proposed to be amended to read as follows:

14 **Baltimore City Charter**

15 **Article VI. Board of Estimates**

16 **§ 11. Procurement.**

17 (a) *Board of Estimates responsible.*

18 The Board of Estimates shall be responsible for awarding contracts and supervising all  
19 purchasing by the City as provided in this section and elsewhere in the Charter.

20 (i) *LOCAL, SMALL, AND DISADVANTAGED BUSINESS ENTERPRISE PROGRAMS.*

21 THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL MAY, BY ORDINANCE, ESTABLISH PROGRAMS THAT  
22 GRANT PURCHASING PREFERENCES TO LOCAL, SMALL, OR DISADVANTAGED BUSINESSES  
23 AND, FOR THAT PURPOSE, WAIVE OR MODIFY THE APPLICATION OF THIS SECTION (WITH  
24 THE EXCEPTION OF SUBSECTION (A)) TO CERTAIN TRANSACTIONS.

EXPLANATION: Underlining indicates matter added by amendment.  
~~Strike out~~ indicates matter deleted by amendment.

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1       **SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, That this proposed amendment to the City  
2 Charter be submitted to the legal and qualified voters of Baltimore City, for adoption or  
3 rejection, in accordance with Article XI-A, § 5 of the Maryland Constitution, in the form  
4 specified by the City Solicitor.