

**CITY OF BALTIMORE  
COUNCIL BILL 26-0170  
(First Reader)**

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Introduced by: The Council President  
At the request of: The Administration (Department of Finance)  
Introduced and read first time: April 6, 2026  
Assigned to: Budget and Appropriations Committee

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REFERRED TO THE FOLLOWING AGENCIES: City Solicitor, Department of Finance, Department of Public Works

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A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ORDINANCE concerning

2 **Supplementary State Fund Operating Appropriation –**  
3 **Department of Public Works – \$2,177,758**

4 FOR the purpose of providing a Supplementary State Fund Operating Appropriation in the  
5 amount of \$2,177,758 to the Department of Public Works – Service 673 (Wastewater  
6 Management), to provide funding for enhanced nutrient removal operations and maintenance  
7 activities at the Back River Wastewater Treatment Plant; and providing for a special effective  
8 date.

9 BY authority of  
10 Article VI - Board of Estimates  
11 Section 8(b)(2)(ii) and (c)  
12 Baltimore City Charter  
13 (1996 Edition)

14 **Recitals**

15 The revenue appropriated by this Ordinance represents a grant from the Maryland  
16 Department of the Environment in excess of the revenue relied on by the Board of Estimates in  
17 determining the tax levy required to balance the budget for Fiscal Year 2026.

18 That grant could not have been expected with reasonable certainty when the Ordinance of  
19 Estimates for Fiscal Year 2026 was formulated.

20 On April 1, 2026, the Board of Estimates recommended this appropriation to the City  
21 Council.

EXPLANATION: CAPITALS indicate matter added to existing law.  
[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.

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1       **SECTION 1. BE IT ORDAINED BY THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL OF BALTIMORE,** That  
2       \$2,177,758 shall be made available to the Department of Public Works – Service 673  
3       (Wastewater Management) as a Supplementary State Fund Operating Appropriation for Fiscal  
4       Year 2026, to provide funding for enhanced nutrient removal operations and maintenance  
5       activities at the Back River Wastewater Treatment Plant. The source of revenue for this  
6       appropriation is the grant from the Maryland Department of the Environment in excess of the  
7       amount from this source that was relied on by the Board of Estimates in determining the tax levy  
8       required to balance the budget for Fiscal Year 2026.

9       **SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED,** That this Ordinance takes effect on the date it is  
10      enacted.