



MEMORANDUM

DATE: February 10, 2020
TO: Labor Committee
FROM: Colin Tarbert, President and CEO 
POSITION: Support
RE: City Council Bill No. 20-0193R – Informational Hearing – State of Baltimore
City's Labor Market

INTRODUCTION

The Baltimore Development Corporation (BDC) is herein reporting on City Council Bill No. 20-0193R introduced by Councilmember Sneed. This resolution would invite members of the Mayor's Office of Employment Development and Mayor's Office of Children and Family Success to brief the City Council on the City's labor market.

PURPOSE

The purpose would be to provide information regarding the City's labor market.

BRIEF HISTORY

Baltimore City faces multiple key challenges, including concentrated poverty and high levels of unemployment. These challenges are notable amongst youth and individuals returning from incarceration.

FISCAL IMPACT

NONE

AGENCY POSITION

The BDC supports this informational hearing. By being able to better understand the City's labor market, BDC can address business location factors, such as labor availability and skill level, when assisting in the growth, retention, and attraction of businesses.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact Kim Clark at (410) 837-9305 or kclark@baltimoredevelopment.com.

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