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The Honorable President and Members
of the Baltimore City Council
Attn: Natawna Austin, Executive Secretary
Room 409, City Hall
100 N. Holliday Street
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Re: City Council Bill 23-345 – City Solicitor - Salary

Dear President and City Council Members:

The Law Department has reviewed City Council Bill 23-0345 for form and legal sufficiency. This bill proposes to set the annual salary of the City Solicitor. Under Art. VI, §10(b) of the Baltimore City Charter, the Mayor and City Council may, by ordinance, increase or decrease the salaries of the appointed municipal officers who serve as members of the Board of Estimates. An increase or decrease can occur only once in the officer's term. The City Solicitor is an appointed municipal officer who serves as a member of the Board of Estimates.

City Council Bill 23-0345 is consistent with the authority of the City Council under Article VI, §10(b). Accordingly, the Law Department approves the bill for form and legal sufficiency.

Sincerely yours,

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