

**CITY OF BALTIMORE
COUNCIL BILL 15-0539
(First Reader)**

Introduced by: The Council President
At the request of: The Administration (Department of Finance)
Introduced and read first time: June 1, 2015
Assigned to: Budget and Appropriations Committee

REFERRED TO THE FOLLOWING AGENCIES: City Solicitor, Department of Finance, Board of Estimates, Police Department, Fire Department, Department of Public Works, Department of Transportation, Mayor's Office of Emergency Management, Department of Housing and Community Development, Baltimore Development Corporation

A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ORDINANCE concerning

2 **Supplementary General Fund Operating Appropriation –**
3 **Miscellaneous General Expenses – \$20,000,000**

4 FOR the purpose of providing a Supplementary General Fund Operating Appropriation in the
5 amount of \$20,000,000 to the Miscellaneous General Expenses – Service 122 (Miscellaneous
6 General), to provide funding for the response to the events of the recent civil unrest, which
7 included heightened police presence, fire suppression, waste removal and clean up,
8 sheltering, extended hours of operation at City facilities, and mutual aid from other
9 government agencies; and providing for a special effective date.

10 BY authority of
11 Article VI - Board of Estimates
12 Section 8(b)(3) and (c)
13 Baltimore City Charter
14 (1996 Edition)

15 **Recitals**

16 The revenue appropriated by this Ordinance represents funds from the General Fund Budget
17 Stabilization Reserve (“Rainy Day Fund”) in excess of the revenue relied on by the Board of
18 Estimates in determining the tax levy required to balance the budget for Fiscal Year 2015.

19 This additional revenue could not have been reasonably anticipated when the Ordinance of
20 Estimates for Fiscal Year 2015 was formulated.

21 This appropriation is made necessary by a material change in circumstances since the
22 Ordinance of Estimates for Fiscal Year 2015 was formulated or is for a new program that could
23 not have been reasonably anticipated when that Ordinance of Estimates was formulated.

24 On May 27, 2015, the Board of Estimates recommended this appropriation to the City
25 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 \$20,000,000 shall be made available to the Miscellaneous General Expenses – Service 122
3 (Miscellaneous General) as a Supplementary General Fund Operating Appropriation for Fiscal
4 Year 2015, to provide funding for the response to the events of the recent civil unrest, which
5 included heightened police presence, fire suppression, waste removal and clean up, sheltering,
6 extended hours of operation at City facilities, and mutual aid from other government agencies.
7 The source of revenue for this appropriation is funds from the General Fund Budget Stabilization
8 Reserve (“Rainy Day Fund”), in excess of the amount from this source that was relied on by the
9 Board of Estimates in determining the tax levy required to balance the budget for Fiscal Year
10 2015.

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