

**CITY OF BALTIMORE**  
**ORDINANCE \_\_\_\_\_**  
**Council Bill 21-0112**

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Introduced by: Councilmembers Schleifer and Bullock

Introduced and read first time: July 19, 2021

Assigned to: Ways and Means Committee

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Committee Report: Favorable

Council action: Adopted

Read second time: January 10, 2022

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**AN RESOLUTION ENTITLED**

1 A RESOLUTION OF THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL concerning

2 **Charter Amendment – Supplementary Criminal**  
3 **Apprehension and Conviction Fund**

4 FOR the purpose of establishing a continuing, nonlapsing Supplementary Criminal  
5 Apprehension and Conviction Fund, to be used exclusively to supplement rewards offered to  
6 the public for information leading to the apprehension, arrest, and conviction of criminal  
7 suspects; providing for certain modes of appropriation to this Fund; authorizing the Mayor  
8 and City Council, by Ordinance, to provide for the oversight, governance, and administration  
9 of this Fund; and submitting this amendment to the qualified voters of the City for adoption  
10 or rejection.

11 BY proposing to add  
12 Article I - General Provisions  
13 Section 19  
14 Baltimore City Charter  
15 (1996 Edition)

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

18 **Baltimore City Charter**

19 **Article I. General Provisions**

20 **§ 19. SUPPLEMENTARY CRIMINAL APPREHENSION AND CONVICTION FUND.**

21 (A) *FUND ESTABLISHED; SCOPE.*

22 THERE IS A CONTINUING, NONLAPSING SUPPLEMENTARY CRIMINAL APPREHENSION AND  
23 CONVICTION FUND, TO BE USED EXCLUSIVELY FOR PURPOSES OF SUPPLEMENTING  
24 REWARDS OFFERED TO THE PUBLIC FROM TIME TO TIME BY THE BALTIMORE POLICE

EXPLANATION: CAPITALS indicate matter added to existing law.  
[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.  
Underlining indicates matter added to the bill by amendment.  
~~Strike-out~~ indicates matter stricken from the bill by  
amendment or deleted from existing law by amendment.

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1 DEPARTMENT OR A NON-PROFIT ORGANIZATION FOR THE SUCCESSFUL APPREHENSION,  
2 ARREST, AND CONVICTION OF CRIMINAL SUSPECTS.

3 (B) *LIMITATIONS ON USE.*

4 THE SUPPLEMENTARY CRIMINAL APPREHENSION AND CONVICTION FUND:

5 (1) SHALL ONLY BE USED TO SUPPLEMENT REWARDS; AND

6 (2) MAY NOT BE USED TO SUBSTITUTE FOR OR REPLACE EXISTING FUNDING FOR  
7 REWARDS PROVIDED BY THE BALTIMORE POLICE DEPARTMENT OR ANY NON-  
8 PROFIT ORGANIZATIONS AS DESCRIBED IN SUBSECTION (A) OF THIS SECTION.

9 (C) *REVENUE SOURCES.*

10 THE FUND ESTABLISHED UNDER THIS SECTION MAY CONSIST OF:

11 (1) MONEY APPROPRIATED TO THE FUND IN THE ANNUAL ORDINANCES OF ESTIMATES;  
12 AND

13 (2) GRANTS OR DONATIONS MADE TO THE FUND; ~~AND.~~

14 ~~(3) PROCEEDS FROM FINES, FEES, SURCHARGES, OR OTHER REVENUES DEDICATED TO~~  
15 ~~THE FUND BY ORDINANCE.~~

16 (D) *CONTINUING NATURE OF FUND.*

17 NOTWITHSTANDING ANY OTHER PROVISION OF THIS CHARTER, UNSPENT PORTIONS OF THE  
18 FUND ESTABLISHED UNDER THIS SECTION:

19 (1) REMAIN IN THE FUND, TO BE USED EXCLUSIVELY FOR THEIR ORDAINED PURPOSES;

20 (2) DO NOT REVERT TO THE GENERAL REVENUES OF THE CITY; AND

21 (3) THEIR APPROPRIATIONS DO NOT LAPSE.

22 (E) *IMPLEMENTATION.*

23 BY ORDINANCE, THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL MAY PROVIDE FOR THE OVERSIGHT,  
24 GOVERNANCE, AND ADMINISTRATION OF THE FUND DESCRIBED IN THIS SECTION.

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

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Certified as duly passed this 24 day of January, 20 22



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President, Baltimore City Council

Certified as duly delivered to His Honor, the Mayor,

this 24 day of January, 20 22

  
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Chief Clerk

Approved this 1 day of March, 20 22



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Mayor, Baltimore City

Approved for Form and Legal Sufficiency  
This 20th Day of February, 2022.



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Chief Solicitor