CITY OF BALTIMORE COUNCIL BILL 23-0415 (First Reader)

Introduced by: Councilmember Porter At the request of: The Administration (Office of Equity and Civil Rights) Introduced and read first time: August 21, 2023 Assigned to: Education, Workforce, and Youth Committee REFERRED TO THE FOLLOWING AGENCIES: City Solicitor, Department of Finance, Office of Equity and Civil Rights

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| 1 | AN ORDINANCE concerning |
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| 2 | Community Relations Commission – Powers and Duties – Complaint Period |
| 3 4 5 | FOR the purpose of increasing the time within which complaints of unlawful practices must be filed with the Community Relations Commission; making certain related amendments; and providing for a special effective date. |
| 6 7 8 9 10 | By repealing and re-ordaining, with amendments Article 4 - Community Relations Section 2-4(5) Baltimore City Code (Edition 2000) |
| 11 12 | SECTION 1. BE IT ORDAINED BY THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL OF BALTIMORE , That the Laws of Baltimore City read as follows: |
| 13 | Baltimore City Code |
| 14 | Article 4. Community Relations |
| 15 | Subtitle 2. Community Relations Commission |
| 16 | § 2-4. Powers and duties of Commission. |
| 17 | The Commission is authorized and shall: |
| 18 19 20 | (5) receive and investigate and seek to [adjust] RESOLVE all complaints of unlawful practices forbidden by this article, but no complaints shall be received unless made to the Commission within [180] 300 days of such alleged unlawful practice; |
| 21 22 | SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED, That this Ordinance takes effect on the 30 th day after the date it is enacted. |

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