

CITY OF BALTIMORE  
ORDINANCE **25-005**  
Council Bill 25-0027

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Introduced by: The Council President  
At the request of: The Administration (Department of Finance)  
Introduced and read first time: February 10, 2025  
Assigned to: Budget and Appropriations Committee

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Committee Report: Favorable, with amendments  
Council action: Adopted  
Read second time: February 24, 2025

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AN ORDINANCE CONCERNING

1                                    ~~General Fund Operating Appropriation Transfer—~~  
2                                    ~~General Fund Balance to~~  
3                                    ~~Health Department (Service 315 - Emergency Services)–~~ Supplementary General Fund  
4                                    Operating Appropriation – Health Department – \$5,251,429

5        FOR the purpose of ~~transferring a providing~~ a supplementary General Fund Operating  
6        Appropriation in the amount of \$5,251,429 ~~from the General Fund Balance~~ to the Health  
7        Department (Service 315 - Emergency Services); ~~Services~~, to provide funding for  
8        reimbursable COVID-related contract costs; and providing for a special effective date.

9        BY authority of  
10        Article VI - Board of Estimates  
11        ~~Section 9(a)(2) 8(b)(2)(iii) and (c)~~  
12        Baltimore City Charter  
13        (1996 Edition)

14                                    **Recitals**

15        ~~Article VI, § 9(a)(2) of the City Charter provides that, on recommendation of the Board of~~  
16        ~~Estimates, the City Council by ordinance may authorize the transfer of an appropriation~~  
17        ~~contained in the Ordinance of Estimates from one municipal agency to another municipal agency.~~

18        ~~The sum of \$5,251,429, as appropriated to the General Fund Balance in the Fiscal 2024~~  
19        ~~Ordinance of Estimates, is not needed for the purpose for which it was appropriated and,~~  
20        ~~therefore, is available for transfer to another agency.~~

21        The revenue appropriated by this Ordinance represents \$5,251,429 in excess of the revenue  
22        relied on by the Board of Estimates in determining the tax levy required to balance the budget for  
23        Fiscal Year 2024.

24        This additional revenue could not have been reasonably anticipated when the Ordinance  
25        of Estimates for Fiscal Year 2024 was formulated.

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        This appropriation is made necessary by a material change in circumstances since the  
2        Ordinance of Estimates for Fiscal Year 2024 was formulated or is for a new program that could  
3        not have been reasonably anticipated when that Ordinance of Estimates was formulated.

4        On February 5, 2025, the Board of Estimates recommended the appropriation authorized by  
5        this Ordinance.

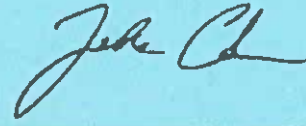
6        ~~SECTION 1. BE IT ORDAINED BY THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL OF BALTIMORE, That the~~  
7        ~~sum of \$5,251,429, contained in the Fiscal 2024 Ordinance of Estimates as a General Fund~~  
8        ~~Appropriation, is transferred from the General Fund Balance to the Health Department~~  
9        ~~(Service 315 - Emergency Medical Services):~~

10        SECTION 1. BE IT ORDAINED BY THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL OF BALTIMORE, That  
11        \$5,251,429 shall be made available to the Health Department – Service 315 (Emergency  
12        Services) as a Supplementary General Fund Operating Appropriation for Fiscal Year 2024, to  
13        provide funding for reimburseable COVID-related contract costs. The source of revenue for this  
14        appropriation is a fund balance in excess of the amount from this source that was relied on by the  
15        Board of Estimates in determining the tax levy required to balance the budget for Fiscal Year  
16        2024.

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

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Certified as duly passed this 24th day of February, 2025



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President, Baltimore City Council

Certified as duly delivered to His Honor, the Mayor,

this 24th day of February, 2025



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Chief Clerk

Approved this 6th day of March, 2025

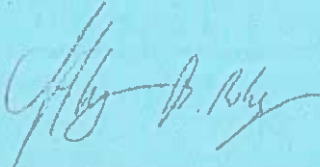


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Mayor, Baltimore City

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**Director of Finance**

Approved for Form and Legal Sufficiency,

this 26th day of February, 2025



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Chief Solicitor