

CITY OF BALTIMORE
ORDINANCE _____
Council Bill 25-0027

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

AN ORDINANCE CONCERNING

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

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

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

Recitals

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

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

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

This additional revenue could not have been reasonably anticipated when the Ordinance
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
a 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 _____ day of _____, 20__

President, Baltimore City Council

Certified as duly delivered to His Honor, the Mayor,
this _____ day of _____, 20__

Chief Clerk

Approved this _____ day of _____, 20__

Mayor, Baltimore City