CITY OF BALTIMORE COUNCIL BILL 07-0704 (First Reader)

Introduced by: Councilmembers Mitchell, D'Adamo, Clarke, Conaway, Welch, Middleton Introduced and read first time: June 4, 2007 Assigned to: Taxation and Finance Committee REFERRED TO THE FOLLOWING AGENCIES: City Solicitor, Department of Finance **A BILL ENTITLED** AN ORDINANCE concerning 1 **Energy Tax – Exemption for Residential Users** 2 FOR the purpose of reinstating an exemption from the energy tax for residential users; providing 3 for a special effective date; and generally relating to the imposition and collection of an 4 energy tax. 5 By repealing and reordaining, with amendments 6 Article 28 - Taxes 7 Section(s) 25-14(e)(1)8 Baltimore City Code 9 (Edition 2000) 10 SECTION 1. BE IT ORDAINED BY THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL OF BALTIMORE, That the 11 Laws of Baltimore City read as follows: 12 **Baltimore City Code** 13 Article 28. Taxes 14 Subtitle 25. Public Utilities Taxes 15 16 Part 2. Energy Tax § 25-14. Rates. 17 (e) Percentage to be paid. 18 For each of the following classes of users, the user is required to pay the following 19 percentage of that year's tax rate: 20 (1) residential energy users subject to residential schedules on file with the Public 21 Service Commission of Maryland -22 - Fiscal [Year] YEARS 2005 [and subsequent] THROUGH 2007, 25%; 23 FISCAL YEAR 2008 AND SUBSEQUENT, 0%. 24

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

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SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED, That the catchlines contained in this Ordinance
are not law and may not be considered to have been enacted as a part of this or any prior
Ordinance.

4 **SECTION 3. AND BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED**, That this Ordinance takes effect on the date it 5 is enacted for all units of energy delivered after July 1, 2007.