CITY OF BALTIMORE COUNCIL BILL 12-0054 (First Reader)

Introduced by: Councilmembers Clarke, Curran Introduced and read first time: March 26, 2012

Assigned to: Land Use and Transportation Committee

REFERRED TO THE FOLLOWING AGENCIES: City Solicitor, Board of Municipal and Zoning Appeals, Planning Commission, Department of Housing and Community Development, Baltimore Development Corporation

A BILL ENTITLED

1	AN ORDINANCE concerning
2 3	Zoning – Conversion of Single-Family Dwellings - Coldstream Homestead Montebello Urban Renewal Area
4	FOR the purpose of prohibiting the conversion of buildings used for single-family dwellings in
5 6	the Coldstream Homestead Montebello Urban Renewal Area, unless expressly authorized in the Urban Renewal Plan for that Area.
7	By repealing and reordaining, with amendments
8	Article - Zoning
9	Section(s) 3-305(b)
10	Baltimore City Revised Code
11	(Edition 2000)
12	SECTION 1. BE IT ORDAINED BY THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL OF BALTIMORE, That the
13	Laws of Baltimore City read as follows:
14	Baltimore City Revised Code
15	Article – Zoning
16	§ 3-305. Conversion of single-or two-family dwellings.
17	(b) Conditional use conversion — authorized.
18	(1) In all districts except the R-2, R-4, R-5, R-6, and R-8 Districts, the Board may
19	authorize, as a conditional use, the conversion of a building for use by more than 1
20	family, as long as the number of families permitted conforms with the applicable bulk
21	regulations for the district in which the building is located.
22	(2) When authorizing a conversion, the Board may impose conditions and restrictions
23	under § 14-103 that include a limit on the number of occupants.

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1 2 3	(3) (i) In the R-7 District, the Board may approve the conversion of a single-family dwelling to a 2-family dwelling only if the property meets the minimum lot size requirements.
4	(ii) The Board may waive the requirements of item (i) of this paragraph (3) for
5	carriage houses, nonconforming uses, and vacant buildings.
6	(4) In the R-8 District, the conversion of a 1- or 2-family dwelling to additional dwelling
7	units may be authorized, but only by a conditional-use ordinance.
8	(5) THIS SUBSECTION DOES NOT APPLY TO THE COLDSTREAM HOMESTEAD MONTEBELLO
9	URBAN RENEWAL AREA, EXCEPT TO THE EXTENT EXPRESSLY AUTHORIZED IN THE
10	URBAN RENEWAL PLAN FOR THAT AREA.
11	SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED, That the catchlines contained in this Ordinance
12	are not law and may not be considered to have been enacted as a part of this or any prior
13	Ordinance.
14	SECTION 3. AND BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED , That this Ordinance takes effect on the 30 th day
15	after the date it is enacted.