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To:

President and Members of the City Council c/o 409 City Hall

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The Baltimore City Health Department (BCHD) is pleased to have the opportunity to review Council Bill 12-0063 Mayor's Anti-Animal Abuse Advisory Commission – Modifications. The purpose of this bill is to reconstitute the membership of the Commission; require the reimbursement of expenses to members in a timely manner; and authorize the removal of members under certain circumstances.

BCHD supports Council Bill 12-0063 with one amendment. We believe that the Health Commissioner should be represented on the Commission because BCHD oversees the Office of Animal Control. Therefore page 2, line 20 "(2) the Health Commissioner." should not be stricken from the current statute.

We will participate at the hearing to provide any additional information that may assist the Council in making an informed decision on this bill.

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