

MEMORANDUM

TO:

Honorable President and Members of the City Council

Attention: Natawna Austin, Executive Secretary

FROM:

William H. Cole, President,

Baltimore Development Corporation

DATE:

April 23, 2015

SUBJECT:

City Council Bill No. 15-0524

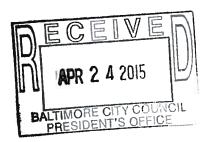
Labor and employment - Human Trafficking Whistleblower Prevention

The Baltimore Development Corporation (BDC) has reviewed Council Bill 15-0524 for the purpose of prohibiting retaliation against employees of certain employers for reporting suspected human trafficking; defining certain terms; providing for certain penalties; and generally relating to employee reports of suspected human trafficking.

BDC did not support the underlying proposed legislation for Hotels – Human Trafficking Prevention, Council Bill 14-0464. If Council Bill 14-0464 were to pass, BDC would support the Human Trafficking Whistleblower Prevention legislation as the language contained in that Bill would give protection to a person who unwilling witnesses and reports Human Trafficking.

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