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The Honorable President and Members of the Baltimore City Council
Attn: Natawna Austin, Executive Secretary
Room 409, City Hall
100 N. Holliday Street
Baltimore, Maryland 21202

Re: City Council Bill 18-0195- PACE Loan Program - Corrective

Dear President and City Council Members:

The Law Department has been asked to review City Council Bill 18-0195 for form and legal sufficiency. The bill clarifies how a surcharge payment received by the Finance Department will be allocated. The amendment specifies that a surcharge payment collected through the property-owners tax bill shall be credited first to any non-Program taxes that are delinquent as of the date the surcharge payment is received.

The bill is consistent with the enabling legislation in the Maryland Ann. Code, Local Gov. Art., Sec. 1-1101 et seq. It is therefore an appropriate exercise of the authority granted by State law. Accordingly, the Law Department approves the bill for form and legal sufficiency.

Sincerely yours, ecm Elena R. Di Rieta

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