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	AGENCY NAME & ADDRESS	Department of Transportation (DOT) 417 E Fayette Street, Room 527		
	SUBJECT	City Council Bill 19-0339		

TO: Ex Officio Mayor Bernard C. "Jack" Young
TO: Judiciary and Legislative Investigations Committee
FROM: Department of Transportation
POSITION: Defer to DPW
RE: Council Bill 19-0339

DATE: 4/29/19

INTRODUCTION – AN ORDINANCE concerning Building, Fire, and Related Codes – Drainage.

PURPOSE/PLANS – FOR the purpose of amending the City Building Code and the City Residential Code to provide for additional limitations on drainage; and clarifying and conforming related provisions.

COMMENTS – City Council Bill 19-0339 seeks to solve the problem of ice forming on the roadway due to a continuous water source combined with a spell of cold weather. This is an issue at select sites around the city.

The responsibility, criteria and remedy are less clear, however. The bill states that the flow is prohibited when there is a "reasonable likelihood that the discharge will freeze."

AGENCY/DEPARTMENT POSITION – The Department of Transportation defers to the Department of Public Works.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact Liam Davis, Legislative Affairs Manager at 443-602-2124 or via email Liam.Davis@baltimorecity.gov.

Sincerely,



Frank Murphy
Acting Director