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The Baltimore City Health Department (BCHD) is pleased to have the opportunity to review City Council Bill #19-0451, entitled “Biennial Comprehensive Crime Reduction Plan.” This bill would require the Mayor’s Office of Criminal Justice (MOCJ) to develop, in conjunction with several different agencies, a biennial comprehensive crime reduction plan. BCHD advocates for a “health in all policies” approach to all systemic issues faced by our City’s residents. In constructing its comprehensive crime reduction plan, BCHD would assist MOCJ in incorporating a focus on the social determinants of health, specifically touching upon BCHD’s work regarding social supports, access to health care services, and exposure to crime, violence, and social disorder.¹ Altogether, while BCHD welcomes the opportunity for further collaboration with MOCJ, BCHD defers to MOCJ with respect to the construction of a comprehensive crime reduction plan and takes **no position** on Council Bill #19-0451.

¹ For additional information regarding the social determinants of health, please visit the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention’s website at <http://www.cdc.gov/socialdeterminants/>.