

**CITY OF BALTIMORE
COUNCIL BILL 20-0189R
(Resolution)**

Introduced by: President Scott, Councilmembers Henry, Costello, Burnett, Pinkett, Cohen,
Dorsey, Clarke, Middleton, Bullock, Reisinger, Stokes, Sneed

Introduced and read first time: January 13, 2020

Assigned to: Health Committee

REFERRED TO THE FOLLOWING AGENCIES: City Solicitor, Health Department, Police Department,
Fire Department, Mayor's Office of Criminal Justice

A RESOLUTION ENTITLED

1 A COUNCIL RESOLUTION concerning

2 **Informational Hearing – Overdose Prevention Sites**

3 FOR the purpose of inviting representatives from the Health Department, the Baltimore Police
4 Department, the Fire Department, the Mayor's Office of Criminal Justice, and the Law
5 Department to provide information about overdose prevention sites and how they could be
6 established in Baltimore City.

7 **Recitals**

8 **WHEREAS**, The Baltimore City Council wants to learn what overdose prevention sites are;

9 **WHEREAS**, The Baltimore City Council wants to learn what services overdose prevention
10 sites provide;

11 **WHEREAS**, The Baltimore City Council wants to know where overdose prevention sites have
12 been tried before and what the outcomes of such attempts have been;

13 **WHEREAS**, The Baltimore City Council wants to know how overdose prevention sites can fit
14 into an evidence-based, harm reduction approach to addressing Baltimore's overdose epidemic;
15 and

16 **WHEREAS**, The Baltimore City Council wants to know what legal and economic challenges
17 the City might encounter if it seeks to establish overdose prevention sites.

18 **NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF BALTIMORE**, That the
19 Baltimore City Council invites representatives from the Health Department, the Baltimore Police
20 Department, the Fire Department, the Mayor's Office of Criminal Justice, and the Law
21 Department to explain overdose prevention sites and how they could be established in Baltimore
22 City.

23 **AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, That a copy of this Resolution be sent to the Mayor, the
24 Director of the Health Department, the Police Commissioner, the Fire Chief, the Director of the
25 Mayor's Office of Criminal Justice, the City Solicitor, and the Mayor's Legislative Liaison to the
26 City Council.

EXPLANATION: Underlining indicates matter added by amendment.
~~Strike out~~ indicates matter deleted by amendment.