

**CITY OF BALTIMORE  
COUNCIL BILL 21-0047  
(First Reader)**

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Introduced by: President Mosby and Councilmembers Middleton, Burnett, Bullock, Ramos,  
Schleifer, Torrence, Conway, Stokes, Cohen, McCray, Glover, Dorsey, Porter, Costello  
Introduced and read first time: March 8, 2021

Assigned to: Education, Workforce, and Youth Committee

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REFERRED TO THE FOLLOWING AGENCIES: City Solicitor, Mayor's Office of Employment  
Development, Baltimore City Public School System, Department of Finance

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A RESOLUTION ENTITLED

1 A RESOLUTION OF THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL concerning

2 **Charter Amendment – Dante Barksdale Career Technology Apprenticeship Fund**

3 FOR the purpose of establishing a continuing, non-lapsing Dante Barksdale Career Technology  
4 Education Fund, to be used exclusively to supplement pre-apprenticeship programs and other  
5 workforce development programs; requiring a minimum monthly appropriation to this Fund;  
6 authorizing the Mayor and City Council, by ordinance, to provide for the oversight,  
7 governance, and administration of this Fund; and submitting this amendment to the qualified  
8 voters of the City for adoption or rejection.

9 BY proposing to add

10 Article I - General Provisions  
11 Section 17  
12 Baltimore City Charter  
13 (1996 Edition)

14 **SECTION 1. BE IT RESOLVED BY THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL OF BALTIMORE,** That the  
15 City Charter is proposed to be amended to read as follows:

16 **Baltimore City Charter**

17 **Article I. General Provisions**

18 **§ 17. SPECIAL FUND FOR CAREER TECHNOLOGY EDUCATION.**

19 (A) *DEFINITIONS.*

20 (1) *IN GENERAL.*

21 IN THIS SECTION, THE FOLLOWING TERMS HAVE THE MEANINGS INDICATED.

EXPLANATION: CAPITALS indicate matter added to existing law.  
[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.

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1 (2) *APPRENTICESHIP TRAINING PROGRAM.*

2 “APPRENTICESHIP TRAINING PROGRAM” MEANS AN APPRENTICESHIP TRAINING  
3 PROGRAM LOCATED IN BALTIMORE CITY THAT IS REGISTERED WITH AND APPROVED BY  
4 THE MARYLAND APPRENTICESHIP AND TRAINING COUNCIL OR THE U.S. DEPARTMENT  
5 OF LABOR.

6 (3) *COVERED CRAFT.*

7 “COVERED CRAFT” MEANS A CLASSIFICATION OF WORKERS LISTED IN THE PREVAILING  
8 WAGE DETERMINATION APPLICABLE TO THE COVERED PROJECT.

9 (4) *COVERED PROJECT.*

10 “COVERED PROJECT” MEANS A PROJECT FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF A PUBLIC WORK  
11 THAT IS VALUED AT \$500,000 OR MORE.

12 (B) *AUTHORIZATION.*

13 BY ORDINANCE, THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL OF BALTIMORE MAY ESTABLISH A  
14 CONTINUING, NONLAPSING FUND FOR PURPOSES OF PROMOTING BALTIMORE CITY PRE-  
15 APPRENTICESHIP PROGRAMS AND OTHER WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMS IN  
16 BALTIMORE CITY’S PUBLIC SECONDARY SCHOOLS AND COMMUNITY COLLEGES THAT  
17 ASSIST STUDENTS IN PREPARING FOR AND ENTERING APPRENTICESHIP TRAINING  
18 PROGRAMS.

19 (C) *REVENUE SOURCES.*

20 THE FUND ESTABLISHED UNDER THIS SECTION SHALL COMPRISE:

21 (1) MONTHLY PAYMENTS BY A SUBCONTRACTOR THAT PERFORMS WORK VALUED AT  
22 \$100,000 OR MORE FOR A COVERED PROJECT OF AT LEAST 25 CENTS PER HOUR PER  
23 EMPLOYEE IN A COVERED CRAFT IF THE SUBCONTRACTOR:

24 (I) DOES NOT PARTICIPATE IN AN APPRENTICESHIP TRAINING PROGRAM FOR  
25 EACH COVERED CRAFT IN WHICH IT WILL EMPLOY PERSONS FOR THE  
26 COVERED PROJECT; OR

27 (II) DOES NOT MAKE PAYMENTS TO AN APPRENTICESHIP TRAINING PROGRAM OR  
28 TO AN ORGANIZATION THAT HAS AN APPRENTICESHIP TRAINING PROGRAM;

29 (2) MONEY APPROPRIATED TO THE FUND IN THE ANNUAL ORDINANCES OF ESTIMATES;

30 (3) GRANTS OR DONATIONS MADE TO THE FUND; AND

31 (4) PROCEEDS FROM FINES, FEES, SURCHARGES, OR OTHER REVENUES DEDICATED TO  
32 THE FUND BY ORDINANCE.

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1 (D) *CONTINUING NATURE OF FUND.*

2 NOTWITHSTANDING ANY OTHER PROVISION OF THIS CHARTER, UNSPENT PORTIONS OF THE  
3 FUND ESTABLISHED UNDER THIS SECTION:

4 (1) REMAIN IN THE FUND, TO BE USED EXCLUSIVELY FOR THEIR ORDAINED PURPOSES;

5 (2) DO NOT REVERT TO THE GENERAL REVENUES OF THE CITY; AND

6 (3) THEIR APPROPRIATIONS DO NOT LAPSE.

7 **SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED,** That this proposed amendment to the City  
8 Charter be submitted to the legal and qualified voters of Baltimore City, for adoption or rejection,  
9 in accordance with Article XI-A, § 5 of the Maryland Constitution, in the form specified by the  
10 City Solicitor.