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

Re: City Council Bill 21-0075 - Study and Report – Sewage Backup Expedited Reimbursement and Direct Assistance Program

Dear President and City Council Members:

The Law Department has reviewed City Council Bill 21-0075 for form and legal sufficiency. The bill requires the Baltimore City Department of Public Works to submit a report to the Mayor and City Council that studies the feasibility of implementing an expedited reimbursement and direct assistance program for any sewage backup, not limited to wet-weather, capacity-related causes. The bill requiring certain agency to assist in the study. The bill has an immediate effective date.

There are no legal impediments to the passage of this bill.

Sincerely,

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