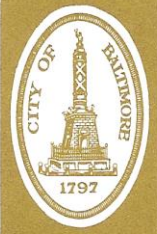


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	SUBJECT	City Council Bill # 21-0106 - Study and Report - Oversight of the Baltimore City Fire Department		

TO Honorable President and Members of the Baltimore City Council
 c/o Natawna Austin, Executive Secretary

DATE: September 1, 2021

Background

The Office of the City Administrator has been requested to review City Council Bill # 21-0106, Study and Report - Oversight of the Baltimore City Fire Department. The Office of the City Administrator is generally supportive of analytical products aimed at improving the productivity and service delivery of our agencies.

The report as requested by the proposed legislation requires extensive unfunded research, analysis, and writing all to be completed within 120 days of enactment. As outlined in the bill report from the Baltimore City Fire Department, there are several logistical, resource, and labor challenges with completing the requested reports. The Office of the City Administrator will work with the Baltimore City Fire Department and the City Council to report out with any analysis that is available that meets the requests.

Conclusion

The Office of the City Administrator has reviewed City Council Bill # 21-0106 calling for the Fire Department, in consultation with several additional agencies, to submit a report to the Mayor and City Council evaluating the policies, practices, and internal control systems of the Department and evaluating the potential establishment of an office dedicated to compliance and investigations within the Fire Department. The Office of the City Administrator takes **no position** on City Council Bill # 21-0106.