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**Title:** Elected Officials - Financial Disclosure  
 For the purpose of requiring Baltimore City elected officials to disclose certain receipts made to business entities substantially controlled by the elected officials; altering the due date for elected officials to file financial disclosure statements; conforming related provisions; and providing for a special effective date.

**Sponsors:** Ryan Dorsey, Mayor Brandon M. Scott, Zeke Cohen, Leon F. Pinkett, III, Kristerfer Burnett, Bill Henry

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1/13/2020	0	Mayor	Signed by Mayor	
12/5/2019	0	City Council	Advanced to 3rd Reader on same day	
12/5/2019	0	City Council	Approved and Sent to the Mayor	
12/5/2019	0	Judiciary Committee	Recommended Favorably with Amendment	
12/3/2019	0	Judiciary Committee	Recommended Favorably with Amendment	Pass
12/2/2019	0	Judiciary Committee	Worksession	
10/28/2019	0	Judiciary Committee	Scheduled for a Public Hearing	
10/10/2019	0	The City Council	Refer to Board of Ethics	
10/10/2019	0	The City Council	Refer to Dept. of Finance	
10/10/2019	0	The City Council	Refer to City Solicitor	
10/7/2019	0	City Council	Assigned	
10/7/2019	0	City Council	Introduced	

**Explanation:** Capitals indicate matter added to existing law.  
 [Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.

**\* Warning:** This is an unofficial, introductory copy of the bill.  
 The official copy considered by the City Council is the first reader copy.

**Introductory\***

**City of Baltimore  
Council Bill**

Introduced by: Councilmember Dorsey

A Bill Entitled

An Ordinance concerning  
**Elected Officials - Financial Disclosure**

For the purpose of requiring Baltimore City elected officials to disclose certain receipts made to business entities substantially controlled by the elected officials; altering the due date for elected officials to file financial disclosure statements; conforming related provisions; and providing for a special effective date.

By authority of  
General Provisions Article  
Section 5-809(b)(2)  
Maryland Code

By repealing and re-ordaining, with amendments  
Article 8 - Ethics  
Section(s) 7-2(a), 7-27 (catchline)  
Baltimore City Code  
(Edition 2000)

By renumbering current  
Article 8 - Ethics  
Section 7-28 to Section 7-29  
Baltimore City Code  
(Edition 2000)

By adding  
Article 8 - Ethics  
Section(s) 7-28  
Baltimore City Code  
(Edition 2000)

**Section 1. Be it ordained by the Mayor and City Council of Baltimore,** That the Laws of Baltimore City read as follows:

**Baltimore City Code**

**Article 8. Ethics**

**Subtitle 7. Financial Disclosure**

***Part I. General Provisions***

**§ 7-2. General filing requirements.**

(a) *Annual filing required.*

(1) *In general.*

Except as otherwise specified in this subtitle, each statement must be filed with the Ethics Board on or before April 30 of each year.

(2) *Elected officials.*

Elected officials must file the statement required by this subtitle on or before January 30 of each year.

***Part III. Contents of Statements***

**§ 7-27. Sources of [earned] income: Earned income.**

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**§ 7-28. Sources of income: Substantial interests of elected officials.**

(a) *Substantial interest defined.*

In this section, “substantial interest” means holding an equity interest of 30% or more in a business entity.

(b) *Disclosure of certain payments required.*

If the elected official has a substantial interest in a business entity, regardless of whether that entity does business with the City, the statement must include the name and address of any person paying that entity \$20 or more in the aggregate during the reporting period.

**§ 7-29. [§ 7-28.] Additional information.**

The statement may include a schedule of additional interests or information that the public servant chooses to disclose.

**Section 2. And be it further ordained,** That the catchlines contained in this Ordinance are not law and may not be considered to have been enacted as a part of this or any prior Ordinance.

**Section 3. And be it further ordained,** That this Ordinance takes effect on the date it is enacted.