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**Title:** Zoning - Dwelling Units - Defining "Family"

FOR the purpose of redefining an alternative element of what constitutes a "family" under the Zoning Code of Baltimore City; requiring for that purpose that persons unrelated by blood, marriage, or adoption and living together in a dwelling unit must be occupying the unit subject to a single lease, rental, or other occupancy arrangement applicable to the entire dwelling unit; and generally relating to the permitted and prohibited occupancy of dwelling units.

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

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INTRODUCTORY\*

CITY OF BALTIMORE  
COUNCIL BILL

Introduced by: Councilmember Clarke

A BILL ENTITLED

AN ORDINANCE concerning  
**Zoning - Dwelling Units - Defining "Family"**

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BY repealing and reordaining, with amendments

Article - Zoning  
Section(s) 1-142(a)  
Baltimore City Revised 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 Revised Code

Article - Zoning

§ 1142. Family.

(a) In general.

"Family" means one of the following, together with usual household helpers:

- (1) an individual;
- (2) 2 or more people related by blood, marriage, or adoption, living together IN A DWELLING UNIT as a single housekeeping unit [in a dwelling unit]; or
- (3) a group of not more than 4 people, who need not be related by blood, marriage, or adoption, living together IN A DWELLING UNIT:
  - (I) as a single housekeeping unit [in a dwelling unit]; AND
  - (II) SUBJECT TO A SINGLE LEASE, RENTAL, OR OTHER OCCUPANCY ARRANGEMENT APPLICABLE TO THE ENTIRE DWELLING UNIT.

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 30th day after the date it is enacted.

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