



# City of Baltimore

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## Legislation Text

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EXPLANATION: CAPITALS indicate matter added to existing law.  
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INTRODUCTORY\*

CITY OF BALTIMORE  
COUNCIL BILL

Introduced by: Councilmember Conaway

A BILL ENTITLED

AN ORDINANCE concerning  
**Loading Zones - Fee for Maintaining**

FOR the purpose of imposing an annual fee for establishing and maintaining passenger loading zones and freight loading zones; and correcting, clarifying, and conforming related provisions governing loading zones.

BY repealing

Article 31 - Transit and Traffic  
Section(s) 1-1(m) and 1-2(e)  
Baltimore City Code  
(Edition 2000)

BY repealing and reordaining, with amendments

Article 31 - Transit and Traffic  
Section(s) 6-16  
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 31. Transit and Traffic

Subtitle 1. Definitions; General Provisions

§ 11. Definitions - A to L.

[(m) Freight {curb} loading zone.

“Freight {curb} loading zone” means a space adjacent to a curb reserved for the exclusive use of commercial vehicles during the expeditious taking on or discharging of property.]

§ 121. Definitions - M to R.

[(e) Passenger {curb} loading zone.

“Passenger {curb} loading zone” means a space adjacent to a curb reserved for the exclusive use of vehicles taking on or discharging passengers or passengers’ baggage transported upon the same vehicle.]

Subtitle 6. Parking, Standing, and Stopping Regulations

Part 2. Places Prohibited

§ 616. Passenger and freight curb loading zones.

(A) DEFINITIONS.

(1) IN GENERAL.

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

(2) “FREIGHT LOADING ZONE”.

“FREIGHT LOADING ZONE” MEANS A SPACE ADJACENT TO A CURB THAT, DURING SPECIFIED TIMES, IS RESERVED EXCLUSIVELY FOR THE USE OF COMMERCIAL VEHICLES DURING THE EXPEDITIOUS LOADING OR UNLOADING OF PROPERTY.

(3) “PASSENGER LOADING ZONE”.

“PASSENGER LOADING ZONE” MEANS A SPACE ADJACENT TO A CURB THAT, DURING SPECIFIED TIMES, IS RESERVED EXCLUSIVELY FOR THE USE OF VEHICLES THAT ARE LOADING OR UNLOADING PASSENGERS AND THEIR BAGGAGE.

(B) [(a) Location] ESTABLISHMENT OF ZONES; FEES; signs.

(1) The Director of Public Works [: (1) is hereby authorized to] MAY determine the location of AND OPERATIONAL HOURS FOR passenger LOADING ZONES and freight [curb] loading zones[; and].

(2) ON PAYMENT OF THE REQUIRED FEE, THE DIRECTOR shall place and maintain AT EACH PASSENGER LOADING ZONE AND FREIGHT LOADING ZONE appropriate signs THAT:

(i) [indicating] INDICATE the location of [such zones] THE ZONE; and

(ii) [stating] STATE the OPERATIONAL hours during which the [following provisions] RESTRICTIONS of this section [are applicable] APPLY.

(3) THE ANNUAL FEE FOR ESTABLISHING A LOADING ZONE AND MAINTAINING THE APPROPRIATE SIGNS IS \$1,000 FOR EACH PARKING SPACE OR PORTION OF A PARKING SPACE THAT IS DISPLACED BY THE LOADING ZONE.

(C) [(b)] PARKING RESTRICTIONS - Freight LOADING zones.

(1) No person [shall be permitted to] MAY park a vehicle in [any place marked as] a freight [curb] loading zone during ITS OPERATIONAL hours [when the provisions applicable to such a zone are in effect].

(2) No [vehicle shall be permitted to] PERSON MAY stop A VEHICLE in a freight [curb] loading zone DURING ITS OPERATIONAL HOURS unless:

(I) THE VEHICLE IS A COMMERCIAL VEHICLE actually in the process of expeditiously loading or unloading [materials] PROPERTY[.]; OR

(II) [(3) Nothing in this section shall prohibit] THE VEHICLE IS a passenger vehicle [from] stopping temporarily [at a place marked as a freight curb loading zone] for the purpose of and while actually engaged in EXPEDITIOUSLY loading or unloading passengers, [when such] AS LONG AS ITS stopping does not interfere with any [motor] COMMERCIAL vehicle THAT IS [used for transportation of materials which is] waiting to enter or about to enter [such] THAT zone.

(D) [(c)] PARKING RESTRICTIONS - Passenger LOADING zones.

No person [shall] MAY stop a vehicle in [the] A PASSENGER LOADING zone DURING ITS OPERATIONAL HOURS for any purpose or period of time other than for the expeditious loading or unloading of passengers AND THEIR BAGGAGE [at any place marked as a passenger curb loading zone during hours when the regulations applicable to such curb loading zones are effective, and then, only for a period not to exceed 10 minutes].

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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