



Legislation Text

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Introductory*

City of Baltimore Council Bill R (Resolution)

Introduced by: Councilmember Middleton

A Resolution Entitled

A Council Resolution concerning

Investigative Hearing - Baltimore City as an Abortion Rights Protection Jurisdiction

For the purpose of requesting that the City Solicitor and representatives from the Baltimore City Health Department appear before the City Council to evaluate if Baltimore City is prepared for an influx of patients seeking to terminate a pregnancy, to identify current barriers to accessing abortion healthcare services, to identify disparities in the ability to access abortion healthcare, specifically for the lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, and queer community and for marginalized racial and ethnic groups, to identify safety concerns abortion healthcare providers have in the present political environment and explore how to address these concerns, and to specify how the recently-passed State Abortion Care Access Act will affect abortion healthcare services in Baltimore City.

Now, therefore, be it resolved by the City Council of Baltimore, That the Council requests that the City Solicitor and representatives from the Baltimore City Health Department appear before the City Council to evaluate if Baltimore City is prepared for an influx of patients seeking to terminate a pregnancy, to identify current barriers to accessing abortion healthcare services, to identify disparities in the ability to access abortion healthcare, specifically for the lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, and queer community and for marginalized racial and ethnic groups, to identify safety concerns abortion healthcare providers have in the present political environment and explore how to address these concerns, and to specify how the recently-passed State Abortion Care Access Act will affect abortion healthcare services in Baltimore City.

And be it further resolved, That a copy of this Resolution be sent to the City Solicitor, the Baltimore City Health Department, and the Mayor's Legislative Liaison to the City Council.