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INTRODUCTORY\*

CITY OF BALTIMORE  
COUNCIL BILL

Introduced by: Councilmember Clarke

A BILL ENTITLED

AN ORDINANCE concerning  
**Marriage License Fees - Domestic Violence Shelters**

FOR the purpose of increasing the additional fee for a marriage license to be dedicated and used for operating domestic violence shelters; and correcting an obsolete cross-reference.

BY repealing and reordaining, with amendments

Article 5 - Finance, Property, and Procurement

Section(s) 48-1

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 5. Finance, Property, and Procurement

Subtitle 48. Miscellaneous Fees

§ 48□ Marriage license fees for domestic violence shelters.

(a) Collection and remittance.

Pursuant to State Family Law Article [§ 2404(h)] § 2404(D), the Clerk of the Circuit Court shall:

(1) collect an additional fee of [\$25] \$75 for the issuance of a marriage license in Baltimore City, and

(2) transmit the proceeds from this additional fee to the Mayor and City Council of Baltimore on a monthly basis.

(b) Use of proceeds.

(1) The proceeds so transmitted shall be segregated in a special fund and available for appropriation for the sole purpose of operating domestic violence shelters which have a 24hour intake ability.

(2) The Director of Finance shall disburse the monies in the special fund as provided by the appropriation and by any contracts entered into for this purpose.

(c) Reports.

Any such contract shall provide for annual financial and operating reports to be made in writing and, if requested, by an appearance of a representative of the contractor before the Board of Estimates and/or the City Council or a designated subcommittee thereof.

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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