



## Legislation Text

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### Introductory\*

### City of Baltimore Council Bill

Introduced by: The Council President  
At the request of: The Administration (Department of Finance)

#### A Bill Entitled

An Ordinance concerning

#### **Supplementary General Fund Operating Appropriation - Fire Department - \$18,900,000**

For the purpose of providing a Supplementary General Fund Operating Appropriation in the amount of \$18,900,000 to the Fire Department - Service 609 (Emergency Medical Services), to provide funding for balancing the Fire Department budget for Fiscal Year 2023 due to costs associated with staff overtime payments and contractual services to provide Basic Life Service ambulance services; and providing for a special effective date.

By authority of

Article VI - Board of Estimates  
Section 8(b)(2)(iii) and (c)  
Baltimore City Charter  
(1996 Edition)

#### Recitals

The revenue appropriated by this Ordinance represents \$18,900,000 in excess of the revenue relied on by the Board of Estimates in determining the tax levy required to balance the budget for Fiscal Year 2023.

This additional revenue could not have been reasonably anticipated when the Ordinance of Estimates for Fiscal Year 2023 was formulated.

This appropriation is made necessary by a material change in circumstances since the Ordinance of Estimates for Fiscal Year 2023 was formulated or is for a new program that could not have been reasonably anticipated when that Ordinance of Estimates was formulated.

On November 15, 2023, the Board of Estimates recommended this appropriation to the City Council.

**Section 1. Be it ordained by the Mayor and City Council of Baltimore,** That \$18,900,000 shall be made available to the Fire Department - Service 609 (Emergency Medical Services) as a Supplementary General Fund Operating Appropriation for Fiscal Year 2023, to provide funding for balancing the Fire Department budget for Fiscal Year 2023 due to costs associated with staff overtime payments and contractual services to provide Basic Life Service ambulance services. The source of revenue for this appropriation is generated from

investment earnings in excess of the amount from this source that was relied on by the Board of Estimates in determining the tax levy required to balance the budget for Fiscal Year 2023.

**Section 2. And be it further ordained,** That this Ordinance takes effect on the date it is enacted.