



Legislation Text

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**Introductory\***

**City of Baltimore  
Council Bill  
(Charter Amendment)**

Introduced by: President Mosby

A Resolution Entitled

A Resolution of the Mayor and City Council concerning  
**Charter Amendment - Board of Estimates - Budget Schedule**

For the purpose of establishing a date certain when the Board of Estimates shall deliver the Ordinance of Estimates to the City Council; making conforming changes; and submitting this amendment to the qualified voters of the City for adoption or rejection.

By proposing to amend

Article VI - Board of Estimates  
Section 3(c) and (d)  
Baltimore City Charter  
(1996 Edition)

**Section 1. Be it resolved by the Mayor and City Council of Baltimore,** That the City Charter is proposed to be amended to read as follows:

**Baltimore City Charter**

**Article VI. Board of Estimates**

**§ 3. Fiscal year; Budget schedule.**

(c) *Submission to Council.*

[The Board of Estimates shall submit to the City Council the proposed Ordinance of Estimates for the next fiscal year at least forty-five days before the beginning of that fiscal year.]

(1) *In general.*

Not later than May 1 of each calendar year:

- (i) the Board of Estimates shall submit to the City Council the proposed Ordinance of Estimates;
- (ii) the Director of Finance shall furnish the City Council with the recommended operating budget; and
- (iii) the Planning Commission shall furnish the City Council with the recommended capital budget and long-range capital improvement program.

(2) *Required submission materials.*

Those submissions required by the Director of Finance and the Planning Commission in paragraph (1) of this subsection shall include:

- (i) revenue and expenditure details;
- (ii) agency and service budget details;
- (iii) operating budget highlights;
- (iv) capital budget highlights;
- (v) budgeted dollars by agency, service, and object; and
- (vi) service information.

(d) *Adoption by Council.*

[The City Council shall have at least forty days after receipt of the Board's proposed Ordinance of Estimates to enact an Ordinance of Estimates.] The City Council shall adopt an Ordinance of Estimates at least five days prior to the beginning of the fiscal year to which it is applicable [if the Board of Estimates submits its proposed Ordinance of Estimates within the period prescribed by Section 3(c)].

**Section 2. And be it further resolved,** That this proposed amendment to the City Charter be submitted to the legal and qualified voters of Baltimore City, for adoption or rejection, in accordance with Article XI-A, § 5 of the Maryland Constitution, in the form specified by the City Solicitor.