

# City of Baltimore

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# **Legislation Text**

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**Explanation:** Capitals indicate matter added to existing law. [Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.

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# Introductory\*

## City of Baltimore Council Bill

Introduced by: Councilmember Dorsey

#### A Bill Entitled

An Ordinance concerning

### **Building, Fire, and Related Codes - Drainage**

For the purpose of amending the City Building Code and the City Residential Code to provide for additional limitations on drainage; and clarifying and conforming related provisions.

By repealing and re-ordaining, with amendments

Article - Building, Fire, and Related Codes Section(s) 2-103 (BC § 3201.4) and 10-102 (RC § 327.4.1) Baltimore City Revised Code (2015 Edition)

**Section 1. Be it ordained by the Mayor and City Council of Baltimore**, That the Laws of Baltimore City read as follows:

#### **Baltimore City Revised Code**

**Article - Building, Fire, and Related Codes** 

#### Part II. International Building Code

#### § 2-103. City modifications.

The additions, deletions, amendments, and other modifications adopted by the City are as follows:

#### Chapter 32. Encroachments into the Public Right-of-Way

#### Section 3201. General

**3201.4 Drainage generally.** Drainage may not be discharged from private property on to the public right-of-way except through piping to a storm drain, to a street or alley, or to some other water course approved by the Department of Public Works.

- **3201.4.1 Limitations.** [Drainage] Notwithstanding the exceptions in § 3201.4, drainage may not be discharged from private property:
  - 1. to flow over the surface of any public sidewalk, or
  - 2. to flow over any street or alley when there is a reasonable likelihood that the discharge will freeze.

#### Part X. International Residential Code

#### § 10-102. City modifications.

The additions, deletions, amendments, and other modifications adopted by the City are as follows:

# **Chapter 3. Building Planning**

# Section 327 Driveways and Other Paved Surfaces

- **327.4 Surface drainage.** Storm drainage off paved surface areas must be properly conveyed to paved alleys, paved streets, or other approved water courses.
  - **327.4.1** Limitations. No surface drainage may be discharged:
    - 1. so as to run or flow over any sidewalk or footway, except at a driveway with a depressed curb, [or]
    - 2. across any adjoining property, or
    - 3. in violation of Baltimore City Building Code 3201.4.1 {"Limitations"}.
- **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 30<sup>th</sup> day after the date it is enacted.