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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 Henry

A BILL ENTITLED

AN ORDINANCE concerning
Commercial Vehicles - Stopping by Residence

FOR the purpose of qualifying an exception to the prohibition against commercial vehicles being left parked, standing, or stopped near residences; requiring a certain notice and providing for verification before issuing a citation; and generally relating to parking, standing, and stopping regulations.

BY repealing and reordaining, without amendments

Article 31 - Transit and Traffic
Section(s) 1-1(f)
Baltimore City Code
(Edition 2000)

BY repealing and reordaining, with amendments

Article 31 - Transit and Traffic
Section(s) 6-26
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 31. Transit and Traffic

Subtitle 1. Definitions; General Provisions

§ 1□ Definitions - A to L.

(f) Commercial vehicle.

“Commercial vehicle” means:

- (1) every vehicle designed, maintained, and used primarily for the transportation and/or hauling of property, including but not limited to equipment, merchandise, parcels, earth, trash, refuse, scrap, or motor vehicles;
- (2) every vehicle, except a passenger car, which has commercial advertising on the exterior of the body or on equipment attached thereto;
- (3) every vehicle having a maximum gross vehicle weight of 7,000 pounds or more or a manufacturer’s rated capacity of $\frac{3}{4}$ ton or more; and
- (4) every vehicle that is designed to carry more than 10 passengers and is used to carry people.

Subtitle 6. Parking, Standing, and Stopping Regulations

§ 626. Commercial vehicles.

(a) “Commercial vehicle” limited.

In this section, “commercial vehicle” does not include a vehicle that:

- (1) has a maximum gross vehicle weight of less than 7,000 pounds or a manufacturer’s rated capacity of $\frac{3}{4}$ ton;
- (2) has no commercial advertising on the exterior of the body or on any attached equipment compartments, or apparatus;
- (3) is not visibly loaded with supplies or equipment; and
- (4) is designed to carry 10 or fewer passengers.

(b) Stopping by residence.

(1) Except as otherwise specified in this section, no vehicle that exceeds 20,000 pounds gross vehicle weight and no commercial vehicle may park, stand, or stop longer than 1 hour continuously on any street, lane, or alley in front of or adjacent to any property used or intended to be used as a residence.

(2) (I) This subsection does not apply to a commercial vehicle that:

(A) is parked for the purpose of doing any public or private work for or on behalf of any person located within a [radius] DISTANCE of 1 block from the property used or intended to be used as a residence; AND

(B) CONSPICUOUSLY DISPLAYS A NOTICE THAT STATES:

1. THE ADDRESS OF THE PLACE AT WHICH THE WORK IS BEING DONE; AND

2. A TELEPHONE NUMBER AT WHICH THE PERSON HAVING THE WORK DONE CAN BE REACHED FOR VERIFICATION.

(II) IF A COMMERCIAL VEHICLE DISPLAYS THE NOTICE REQUIRED BY PARAGRAPH (2)(I) OF THIS SUBSECTION, A CITATION MAY NOT BE ISSUED UNDER THIS SECTION UNLESS THE PERSON ISSUING THE CITATION HAS ATTEMPTED TO VERIFY THE INFORMATION GIVEN AND WAS UNABLE TO DO SO.

(c) Nighttime hours.

Except as otherwise specified in this section, no vehicle that exceeds 20,000 pounds gross vehicle weight and no commercial vehicle may park, stand, or stop longer than 1 hour continuously between the hours of 1 a.m. and 7 a.m. on any street, lane, or alley of the City.

(d) Exceptions.

This section does not apply to:

- (1) vehicles of the Police Department or the Fire Department; or
- (2) emergency vehicles belonging to the City or to any public utility.

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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