

## City of Baltimore

City Council City Hall, Room 408 100 North Holliday Street Baltimore, Maryland 21202

## **Legislation Text**

File #: 08-0213, Version: 0

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: Councilmembers Curran, Holton, Spector

A BILL ENTITLED

AN ORDINANCE concerning Vacant Lot Registration - Exceptions

FOR the purpose of excepting certain lots from the requirement to register vacant lots. BY repealing and reordaining, with amendments
Article 13 - Housing and Urban Renewal
Section(s) 11-2
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 13. Housing and Urban Renewal

Subtitle 11. Registration of Vacant Lots

?ÿ1121 Registration required.

(a) Owner to register annually.

[By] EXCEPT AS PROVIDED IN SUBSECTION (D) OF THIS SECTION, BY September 1 of each year, the owner of a vacant lot that is assessed for \$100 or more must file a registration statement with the Commissioner on a form to be provided by the Commissioner.

(b) Registration fee.

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- (1) The annual registration fee is \$25 for each vacant lot, with a maximum fee of \$5,000 for all lots titled to the same owner of record.
- (2) This fee must be paid at the time of registration.
  - (c) Purchaser to register on acquisition.

A new owner of a vacant lot must, at the time of acquisition:

- (1) file a registration statement; and
- (2) pay the annual registration fee, unless that fee already was paid by the prior owner.
  - (D) EXCEPTIONS.

THIS SECTION DOES NOT APPLY TO A VACANT LOT THAT:

- (1) ADJOINS A NON-VACANT LOT TITLED TO THE SAME OWNER OF RECORD AS THE VACANT LOT;
- (2) CONTAINS A PARKING PAD ACTIVELY USED BY A NEARBY PROPERTY OWNER; OR
- (3) EXTENDS INTO BALTIMORE COUNTY.

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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