



Legislation Details (With Text)

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**Title:** Unidentifiable Vehicles - Immediate Towing  
For the purpose of prohibiting the parking of unidentifiable vehicles on City streets; authorizing the immediate removal of unidentifiable vehicles parked on City streets; setting a certain penalty; and generally relating to unidentifiable vehicles.

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10/29/2018	0	City Council	Approved and Sent to the Mayor	
10/15/2018	0	City Council	3rd Reader, for final passage	
10/15/2018	0	Judiciary and Legislative Investigations	Recommended Favorably with Amendment	
9/18/2018	0	Judiciary and Legislative Investigations	Recommended Favorably with Amendment	Pass
9/17/2018	0	Judiciary and Legislative Investigations	Scheduled for a Public Hearing	
8/9/2018	0	City Council President	Refer to Dept. of Transportation	
8/9/2018	0	City Council President	Refer to Police Department	
8/9/2018	0	City Council President	Refer to City Solicitor	
8/6/2018	0	City Council	Assigned	
8/6/2018	0	City Council	Introduced	

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

\* **Warning:** This is an unofficial, introductory copy of the bill.  
The official copy considered by the City Council is the first reader copy.

**Introductory\***

**City of Baltimore  
Council Bill**

Introduced by: Councilmember Dorsey

A Bill Entitled

An Ordinance concerning

**Unidentifiable Vehicles - Immediate Towing**

For the purpose of prohibiting the parking of unidentifiable vehicles on City streets; authorizing the immediate removal of unidentifiable vehicles parked on City streets; setting a certain penalty; and generally relating to unidentifiable vehicles.

By adding

Article 31 - Transit and Traffic

Section(s) 31-12

Baltimore City Code

(Edition 2000)

By repealing and reordaining, with amendments

Article 31 - Transit and Traffic

Section(s) 36-3

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 31. Clear Streets and Impoundment**

**§ 31-12. Unidentifiable vehicles.**

(a) *Prohibited conduct.*

It is unlawful for any person to park a vehicle or part of a vehicle on any street, lane, or alley if the vehicle:

- (1) is not displaying currently valid registration plates; and
- (2) has its VIN obscured so that it cannot be read from outside the vehicle.

(b) *Removal of vehicles.*

The Commissioner is authorized to cause any vehicle in violation of subsection (a) of this section to be immediately removed and impounded as provided in this subtitle.

**Subtitle 36. Parking, etc., Fines, Penalties, and Procedures**

**§ 36-3. \$300 fines.**

- (1) Abandoning a vehicle in violation of § 31-8 {"Abandoned vehicles"} of this article is punishable by a fine of \$300.

(2) Parking an unidentifiable vehicle in violation of § 31-12 {"Unidentifiable vehicles"} of this article is punishable by a fine of \$300.

**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.