



## Legislation Details (With Text)

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**Title:** Charter Amendment - Supplementary Criminal Apprehension and Conviction Fund  
For the purpose of establishing a continuing, nonlapsing Supplementary Criminal Apprehension and Conviction Fund, to be used exclusively to supplement rewards offered to the public for information leading to the apprehension, arrest, and conviction of criminal suspects; providing for certain modes of appropriation to this Fund; authorizing the Mayor and City Council, by Ordinance, to provide for the oversight, governance, and administration of this Fund; and submitting this amendment to the qualified voters of the City for adoption or rejection.

**Sponsors:** Isaac "Yitzy" Schleifer, John T. Bullock

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**Code sections:**

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Date	Ver.	Action By	Action	Result
3/21/2022	0	Mayor	Signed by Mayor	
1/24/2022	0	Baltimore City Council	Approved and Sent to the Mayor	
1/10/2022	0	Baltimore City Council	3rd Reader, for final passage	
1/10/2022	0	Ways and Means	Recommended Favorably with Amendment	
12/14/2021	0	Ways and Means	Recommended Favorably with Amendment	Pass
12/6/2021	0	Ways and Means	Scheduled for a Public Hearing	
10/19/2021	0	Ways and Means		
10/4/2021	0	Ways and Means	Scheduled for a Public Hearing	
7/22/2021	0	Baltimore City Council	Refer to City Solicitor	
7/22/2021	0	Baltimore City Council	Refer to Police Department	
7/22/2021	0	Baltimore City Council	Refer to Dept. of Finance	
7/19/2021	0	Baltimore City Council	Introduced	
7/19/2021	0	Baltimore City Council	Assigned	

**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**  
**(Charter Amendment)**

Introduced by: Councilmember Schleifer

A Resolution Entitled

A Resolution of the Mayor and City Council concerning  
**Charter Amendment - Supplementary Criminal Apprehension and Conviction Fund**

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By proposing to add

Article I - General Provisions  
Section 19  
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 I. General Provisions**

**§ 19. Supplementary Criminal Apprehension and Conviction Fund.**

(a) *Fund established; Scope.*

There is a continuing, nonlapsing Supplementary Criminal Apprehension and Conviction Fund, to be used exclusively for purposes of supplementing rewards offered to the public from time to time by the Baltimore Police Department or a non-profit organization for the successful apprehension, arrest, and conviction of criminal suspects.

(b) *Limitations on use.*

The Supplementary Criminal Apprehension and Conviction Fund:

- (1) shall only be used to supplement rewards; and
- (2) may not be used to substitute for or replace existing funding for rewards provided by the Baltimore Police Department or any non-profit organizations as described in subsection (a) of this section.

(c) *Revenue sources.*

The fund established under this section may consist of:

- (1) money appropriated to the fund in the annual Ordinances of Estimates;
- (2) grants or donations made to the fund; and
- (3) proceeds from fines, fees, surcharges, or other revenues dedicated to the fund by Ordinance.

(d) *Continuing nature of fund.*

Notwithstanding any other provision of this Charter, unspent portions of the fund established under this section:

- (1) remain in the fund, to be used exclusively for their ordained purposes;
- (2) do not revert to the general revenues of the City; and
- (3) their appropriations do not lapse.

(e) *Implementation.*

By Ordinance, the Mayor and City Council may provide for the oversight, governance, and administration of the fund described in this section.

**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.