

# City of Baltimore

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

# **Legislation Text**

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Introduced by: Councilmember Curran

A Bill Entitled

An Ordinance concerning

#### Health - Hydraulic Fracturing Ban

For the purpose of prohibiting hydraulic fracturing in Baltimore City; setting certain penalties; and generally relating to the regulation of hydraulic fracturing and its byproducts.

# By renaming

Article - Health
Title 7, Subtitle 5. Wastewater from Hydraulic Fracturing to be
Title 7, Subtitle 5. Hydraulic Fracturing
Baltimore City Revised Code
(Edition 2000)

#### By adding

Article - Health Section(s) 7-502 Baltimore City Revised Code (Edition 2000)

#### By renumbering

Article - Health
Section(s) 7-502 and 7-503
to be
Article - Health
Section(s) 7-503 and 7-504
Baltimore City Revised 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 Revised Code** 

**Article - Health** 

Title 7. Waste Control

Subtitle 5. [Wastewater from] Hydraulic Fracturing

## § 7-502. Hydraulic fracturing prohibited

No person may make use of hydraulic fracturing to extract oil, gas, or other hydrocarbons within the City of Baltimore.

## § 7-503. [§ 7-502.] Storing, treating, disposing, etc., wastewater prohibited.

No person may store, treat, discharge, or dispose of in the City or in or on any City-owned facility or property, wherever situated, any flow back or other wastewater resulting from hydraulic fracturing.

#### § 7-504. [§ 7-503.] Penalties: \$1,000 and 90 days.

(a) In general.

Any person who violates any provision of this subtitle is guilty of a misdemeanor and, on conviction, is subject to a fine of not more than \$1,000, imprisonment for not more than 90 days, or both fine and imprisonment for each offense.

(b) Each day a separate offense.

Each day that a violation continues is a separate offense.

**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.