



## Legislation Text

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### **Introductory\***

### **City of Baltimore Council Bill**

Introduced by: The Council President

At the request of: The Administration (Department of Finance)

### **A Bill Entitled**

An Ordinance concerning

### **Supplementary General Fund Operating Appropriation - Law Department - \$570,000**

For the purpose of providing a Supplementary General Fund Operating Appropriation in the amount of \$570,000 to the Law Department - Service 861 (Controversies), to provide funding for technology purchases by the Central Bureau of Investigation to allow remote data collection and migration to a paperless office, which will improve information management, reduce existing costs and risks for the City, and improve operating efficiency; and providing for a special effective date.

By authority of

Article VI - Board of Estimates  
Section 8(b)(3) and (c)  
Baltimore City Charter  
(1996 Edition)

### **Recitals**

The revenue appropriated by this Ordinance represents funds from the Legal Settlement Proceeds Revenue Fund that the City received as part of a \$1.2 million settlement in connection with anti-trust litigation relating to bid-rigging by the municipal derivatives industry, in excess of the revenue relied on by the Board of Estimates in determining the tax levy required to balance the budget for Fiscal Year 2017.

This additional revenue could not have been reasonably anticipated when the Ordinance of Estimates for Fiscal Year 2017 was formulated.

This appropriation is made necessary by a material change in circumstances since the Ordinance of Estimates for Fiscal Year 2017 was formulated or is for a new program that could not have been reasonably anticipated when that Ordinance of Estimates was formulated.

On December 21, 2016, the Board of Estimates recommended this appropriation to the City Council.

**Section 1. Be it ordained by the Mayor and City Council of Baltimore,** That \$570,000 shall be made available to the Law Department - Service 861 (Controversies) as a Supplementary General Fund Operating Appropriation for Fiscal Year 2017, to provide funding for technology purchases by the Central Bureau of

Investigation to allow remote data collection and migration to a paperless office, which will improve information management, reduce existing costs and risks for the City, and improve operating efficiency. The source of revenue for this appropriation is funds from the Legal Settlement Proceeds Revenue Fund that the City received as part of a \$1.2 million settlement in connection with anti-trust litigation relating to bid-rigging by the municipal derivatives industry, in excess of the amount from this source that was relied on by the Board of Estimates in determining the tax levy required to balance the budget for Fiscal Year 2017.

**Section 2. And be it further ordained,** That this Ordinance takes effect on the date it is enacted.