

# City of Baltimore

## Legislation Text

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**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: Councilmember Henry

#### A Bill Entitled

An Ordinance concerning

#### **Commercial Vehicle Parking - Clarification of Scope**

For the purpose of clarifying certain exceptions regarding the prohibitions set forth in Article 31 {"Transit and Traffic"} on commercial vehicles parking; deleting an unnecessary limitation; conforming related provisions; and providing for a special effective date.

By repealing and re-ordaining, with amendments

Article 31 - Transit and Traffic Section(s) 6-26 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 6. Parking, Standing, and Stopping Regulations

#### Part 5. Commercial Vehicles and Trailers

#### § 6-26. Commercial vehicles.

[(a) "Commercial vehicle" limited.]

[In this section, "commercial vehicle" does not include a vehicle that:

(1) has a maximum gross vehicle weight of less than 7,000 pounds and a manufacturer's rated capacity of <sup>3</sup>/<sub>4</sub> ton or less;

- (2) except for a passenger car (as defined in Maryland Vehicle Law § 11-144.1), has no commercial advertising on the exterior of the vehicle or on any equipment attached to the vehicle;
- (3) is not visibly loaded with supplies or equipment; and
- (4) is designed to carry 15 or fewer passengers.]
- (a) [(b)] *Stopping by residence*.
  - (1) Except as otherwise specified in this section, no vehicle with a maximum gross vehicle weight of more than 20,000 pounds and no commercial vehicle may park, stand, or stop longer than 1 hour continuously on any street, lane, or alley in front of or adjacent to any property used or intended to be used as a residence.
  - (2) This subsection does not apply to a commercial vehicle that is parked for the purpose of doing any public or private work for or on behalf of any person located within a radius of 1 block from the property used or intended to be used as a residence.
- (b) [(c)] Nighttime hours.

Except as otherwise specified in this section, no vehicle with a maximum gross vehicle weight of more than 20,000 pounds and no commercial vehicle may park, stand, or stop longer than 1 hour continuously between the hours of 1 a.m. and 7 a.m. on any street, lane, or alley of the City.

(c) [(d)] *Exceptions*.

This section does not apply to:

- (1) vehicles of the Police Department or the Fire Department; [or]
- (2) emergency vehicles belonging to:

(i) the City;

- (ii) any public utility; or
- (iii) any volunteer ambulance service[.];
- (3) private passenger vehicles, including automobiles, minivans, passenger vans, station wagons, and sport utility vehicles;
- (4) pickup trucks; or
- (5) panel-body delivery trucks with less than 1,500 pounds (3/4 of a ton) manufacturer's rating capacity.

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 day it is enacted.