

# City of Baltimore

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## **Legislation Text**

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### Introductory\*

#### City of Baltimore Council Bill

Introduced by: President Mosby

#### A Bill Entitled

An Ordinance concerning

# Study and Report - Analyzing Disparities Between Minority Women-Owned and Non-Minority Women-Owned Businesses

For the purpose of requiring the Director of Finance, the City Administrator, the City Solicitor, the Director of the Minority and Women's Business Opportunity Office, and the Director of the Office of Equity and Civil Rights to submit a report that details any disparities that exist between minority women-owned businesses and non-minority women-owned businesses operating in Baltimore City; and providing for a special effective date.

#### Section 1. Be it ordained by the Mayor and City Council of Baltimore, That:

- (a) No later than 90 days after the enactment of this Ordinance, the Director of Finance, the City Administrator, the City Solicitor, the Director of the Minority and Women's Business Opportunity Office, and the Director of the Office of Equity and Civil Rights shall submit a report about any disparities that exist between minority women-owned businesses ("MWOB") and non-minority women-owned businesses ("N-MWOB") operating in Baltimore City.
- (b) Prior to the report's final submission to the City Council a public notice shall be published containing the report and seeking public comment for at least 30 days.
- (c) The report shall include:
  - (i) A description of the current state of MWOB and N-MWOB in Baltimore City, including:
    - (1) a review of MWOB and N-MWOB businesses currently in operation; and
    - (2) a review of programs or incentives available to MWOB and N-MWOB in Baltimore City.

- (ii) A review of any disparities that exist between MWOB and N-MWOB in Baltimore City, including:
  - (1) disparities in funding opportunities;
  - (2) disparities in the awarding of City contracts; and
  - (3) any other disparities that may exist between MWOB and N-MWOB; and
  - (iii) An analysis of any disparities identified under paragraph (ii).
- (d) The City Council shall call a hearing where the Director of Finance, the City Administrator, the City Solicitor, the Director of the Minority and Women's Business Opportunity Office, and the Director of the Office of Equity and Civil Rights shall present the findings of the report.

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