

HOUSE BILL 94

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EMERGENCY BILL

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By: **Delegate Anderson (By Request – Baltimore City Administration)**

Introduced and read first time: January 21, 2009

Assigned to: Environmental Matters

A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Baltimore City – Foreign Trade Zones**

3 FOR the purpose of authorizing Baltimore City to apply for establishing, maintaining,
4 and operating foreign trade zones in the Baltimore port of entry and in the
5 State of Maryland within a radius of a certain number of miles beyond the port
6 of entry limits, and to maintain and operate the foreign trade zones; making
7 this Act an emergency measure; and generally relating to the Baltimore Foreign
8 Trade Zone.

9 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
10 The Charter of Baltimore City
11 Article II – General Powers
12 Section (9)
13 (2007 Replacement Volume, as amended)

14 SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF
15 MARYLAND, That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:

16 **The Charter of Baltimore City**

17 Article II – General Powers

18 The Mayor and City Council of Baltimore shall have full power and authority to
19 exercise all of the powers heretofore or hereafter granted to it by the Constitution of
20 Maryland or by any Public General or Public Local Laws of the State of Maryland; and
21 in particular, without limitation upon the foregoing, shall have power by ordinance, or
22 such other method as may be provided for in its Charter, subject to the provisions of
23 said Constitution and Public General Laws:

24 (9)

EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW.

[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.



1 To make application for establishing, maintaining and operating foreign trade
2 zones in the [Baltimore Harbor] **BALTIMORE PORT OF ENTRY AND IN THE STATE**
3 **OF MARYLAND WITHIN A RADIUS OF 60 MILES BEYOND THE PORT OF ENTRY**
4 **LIMITS**, and to maintain and operate such foreign trade zones when established
5 agreeable to and pursuant to the provisions of the Act of the 73rd Congress No. 397,
6 approved June 18, 1934, entitled “A Bill to provide for the establishment, operation
7 and maintenance of Foreign Trade Zones in ports of entry in the United States and to
8 expedite and encourage foreign commerce”, and any amendment thereof.

9 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act is an emergency
10 measure, is necessary for the immediate preservation of the public health or safety,
11 has been passed by a yeas and nays vote supported by three-fifths of all the members
12 elected to each of the two Houses of the General Assembly, and shall take effect from
13 the date it is enacted.