

Chapter 584

(House Bill 1081)

AN ACT concerning

Baltimore City – Vehicle Laws – Towing

FOR the purpose of authorizing Baltimore City to tow vehicles blocking access to driveways, alleys, transit lanes, or parking facilities; and generally relating to the towing of vehicles in Baltimore City.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
The Charter of Baltimore City
Article II – General Powers
Section (35)(e) and (f)
(2007 Replacement Volume, as amended)

BY adding to
The Charter of Baltimore City
Article II – General Powers
Section (35)(g)
(2007 Replacement Volume, as amended)

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

The Charter of Baltimore City

Article II – General Powers

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

(35)

(e) To close or gate an alley that is no longer needed for through pedestrian or vehicular traffic, in order to promote the public health, safety, or welfare; **[and]**

(f) To lease a closed or gated alley to an entity that consists of property owners whose lots abut the alley; **AND**

(G) TO TOW VEHICLES BLOCKING ACCESS TO DRIVEWAYS, ALLEYS, TRANSIT LANES, OR PARKING FACILITIES.

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect October 1, 2022.

Enacted under Article II, § 17(c) of the Maryland Constitution, May 29, 2022.