

# HOUSE BILL 1081

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By: **Delegate Boyce**

Introduced and read first time: February 10, 2022

Assigned to: Environment and Transportation

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## A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Baltimore City – Vehicle Laws – Towing**

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

6 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,  
7 The Charter of Baltimore City  
8 Article II – General Powers  
9 Section (35)(e) and (f)  
10 (2007 Replacement Volume, as amended)

11 BY adding to  
12 The Charter of Baltimore City  
13 Article II – General Powers  
14 Section (35)(g)  
15 (2007 Replacement Volume, as amended)

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

18 **The Charter of Baltimore City**

19 Article II – General Powers

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

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EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW.

[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.



1 (35)

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

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

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

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