

Chapter 204

(Senate Bill 643)

AN ACT concerning

Public Information Act – Surveillance Images – Illegal Dumping in Baltimore City

FOR the purpose of ~~repealing a certain provision of law requiring a custodian to deny inspection of certain surveillance images of illegal dumping in Baltimore City except under certain circumstances requiring a custodian to allow inspection of certain surveillance images of illegal dumping in Baltimore City~~ altering a requirement that a custodian deny inspection of certain surveillance images of illegal dumping in Baltimore City to allow inspection by certain employees or agents of Baltimore City; authorizing the Baltimore City Department of Housing and Community Development to publicly disseminate a surveillance image under certain circumstances; and generally relating to ~~the inspection of~~ surveillance images of illegal dumping in Baltimore City.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – General Provisions

Section 4–322

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2019 Replacement Volume and 2023 Supplement)

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

Article – General Provisions~~§~~4–322.

(a) In this section, “surveillance image” has the meaning stated in § 10–112 of the Criminal Law Article.

(b) Except as provided in subsection (c) of this section, a custodian of a surveillance image shall deny inspection of the surveillance image.

(c) A custodian shall allow inspection of a surveillance image:

~~(1) as required in § 10–112 of the Criminal Law Article;~~

~~(2)~~ **(1)** by any person issued a citation under § 10–112 of the Criminal Law Article, or by an attorney of record for the person; **OR** ~~or~~

~~(3) BY AN EMPLOYEE OR AGENT OF THE BALTIMORE CITY DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT IN AN INVESTIGATION OR A PROCEEDING UNDER § 10-112 OF THE CRIMINAL LAW ARTICLE; OR~~

~~(3) (4) (2)~~ by an employee or agent of the Baltimore City Department of ~~Public Works~~ HOUSING AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT in an investigation or a proceeding relating to the imposition of or indemnification from civil liability under § 10-112 of the Criminal Law Article.†

(D) NOTWITHSTANDING SUBSECTION (B) OF THIS SECTION, THE BALTIMORE CITY DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT MAY PUBLICLY DISSEMINATE A SURVEILLANCE IMAGE AS PART OF AN INVESTIGATION.

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect October 1, 2024.

Approved by the Governor, April 25, 2024.