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that the City take such action as may be necessary to safeguard traffic.

Very truly yours,
(Signed) Philip B. Perlman,
City Solicitor.

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Baltimore, November 25, 1924.

S. T. Griffith, Esq.,
Chief Inspector Weights & Measures
Comptroller's Office, City Hall.
Baltimore, Maryland.

Dear Sir:

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Your letter of the 5th of November requests my opinion on the power of the Mayor and City Council of Baltimore to enact an ordinance providing for the disposition of various commodities by weight or count rather than by dry measure.

The Charter of Baltimore City, Section 6, Paragraph 11, entitled "INSPECTIONS" empowers the City "to make the standard of weights and measures the same in the City of Baltimore as in the rest of the State * * *." The Legislature by Chapter 802 of the Acts of 1914 and amended in certain particulars by Chapter 529 of the Acts of 1916, all codified in Article 97 of the Code, established for the State at large a system of weights and measures applicable to all commodities.

The Charter specifically provides that the City in the enactment of this class of legislation shall not transcend the general law. The Legislature having acted and established a standard for the entire State, it is my opinion that the Council cannot pass any ordinance at variance with the general system of weights and measures enacted by