

## Chapter 154

**(House Bill 233)**

AN ACT concerning

**Citizens Committee for the Enhancement of Communities Surrounding  
Baltimore–Washington International Thurgood Marshall Airport – Membership**

FOR the purpose of altering the designation of a certain certified noise zone that is used in determining the membership of the Citizens Committee for the Enhancement of Communities Surrounding Baltimore–Washington International Thurgood Marshall Airport; and generally relating to the Citizens Committee for the Enhancement of Communities Surrounding Baltimore–Washington International Thurgood Marshall Airport.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,  
Article – Transportation  
Section 5–414(a) and 5–806  
Annotated Code of Maryland  
(2015 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,  
Article – Transportation  
Section 5–414(b)  
Annotated Code of Maryland  
(2015 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

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

**Article – Transportation**

5–414.

(a) There is a Citizens Committee for the Enhancement of Communities Surrounding Baltimore–Washington International Thurgood Marshall Airport.

(b) (1) The Citizens Committee consists of 11 members who are appointed by the Secretary after recommendation by the members of the legislative delegation from legislative districts 12, 13, and 32 as follows:

(i) Two members of the Citizens Committee shall be recommended by each of the delegates representing district 32;

(ii) One member of the Citizens Committee shall be recommended by the delegates representing district 12;

(iii) One member of the Citizens Committee shall be recommended by the delegates representing district 13; and

(iv) Three members of the Citizens Committee shall be recommended by the senator representing district 32.

(2) The members shall be representatives of community associations that are either wholly or partially situated:

(i) In the [most recent] certified noise zone[,] **THAT WAS** adopted under § 5–806 of this title **AND EFFECTIVE MARCH 23, 1998**, for Baltimore–Washington International Thurgood Marshall Airport; or

(ii) In a border extending 2 miles outside of the certified noise zone.

5–806.

(a) (1) As to each noise abatement plan the Executive Director approves, the airport operator shall:

(i) Begin to carry out the plan within 6 months of its approval; and

(ii) Except as provided in paragraph (2) of this subsection, fully carry out the plan within 18 months of its approval.

(2) The Executive Director may grant a delay of up to 2 years to carry out the plan fully if the Executive Director finds that, despite the good faith efforts of the operator, the operator cannot comply with the schedule required by this subsection.

(b) After notice and a public hearing, the Executive Director shall certify and publish, as a noise zone for purposes of Parts III and IV of this subtitle, any noise zone that results from an approved assessment or an approved plan.

(c) On application by the airport operator or an affected political subdivision, the Executive Director shall consider any adjustment to an approved plan or noise zone that is needed to reflect potential operational changes, changes in adjoining land uses, or other factors. Adjustments may be made only by recertification of the noise zone by the Executive Director, after notice and a public hearing.

(d) Before any hearing under this section, the Executive Director shall give the chief executive officer and zoning board of any affected political subdivision an opportunity to comment. After certification of a noise zone, the Administration shall notify them of the certified noise zone.

(e) The Executive Director may adopt rules and regulations for monitoring compliance with approved plans.

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect October 1, 2016.

**Approved by the Governor, April 26, 2016.**