## HOUSE BILL 673

#### N1 HB 1010/24 – ENT

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### A BILL ENTITLED

#### 1 AN ACT concerning

# 2 Condominiums and Homeowners Associations – Governing Documents – 3 Electric Vehicle Recharging Equipment

4 FOR the purpose of prohibiting provisions of the governing documents of a condominium or homeowners association from unreasonably restricting the governing body of the  $\mathbf{5}$ 6 condominium or homeowners association from installing or authorizing the installation of electric vehicle recharging equipment; establishing that the 7 8 installation or authorization of installation of electric vehicle charging equipment by 9 a governing body is subject to the ordinary budget processes of the condominium or 10 homeowners association and requiring the governing body to consider the 11 availability of sufficient parking to meet the needs of the community before 12installation or authorization; applying this Act retroactively; authorizing the governing body of a condominium or homeowners association to grant a certain 13 license; and generally relating to electric vehicle recharging equipment in 14 15condominiums and homeowners associations.

- 16 BY adding to
- 17 Article Real Property
- 18 Section 11–111.6 and 11B–111.11
- 19 Annotated Code of Maryland
- 20 (2023 Replacement Volume and 2024 Supplement)
- 21 SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND,
- 22 That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:
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### **Article – Real Property**

24 **11–111.6.** 

EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW. [Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.



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1 (A) IN THIS SECTION, "ELECTRIC VEHICLE RECHARGING EQUIPMENT" HAS 2 THE MEANING STATED IN § 11–111.4 OF THIS TITLE.

3 (B) A RECORDED COVENANT OR RESTRICTION, A PROVISION IN A 4 DECLARATION, OR A PROVISION IN THE BYLAWS OR RULES OF A CONDOMINIUM MAY 5 NOT PROHIBIT OR UNREASONABLY RESTRICT THE GOVERNING BODY FROM 6 INSTALLING OR AUTHORIZING THE INSTALLATION OF ELECTRIC VEHICLE 7 RECHARGING EQUIPMENT IN COMMON USE OR LIMITED COMMON USE PARKING 8 SPACES.

9 (C) THE INSTALLATION OR AUTHORIZATION OF INSTALLATION OF 10 ELECTRIC VEHICLE RECHARGING EQUIPMENT BY A GOVERNING BODY SHALL BE 11 SUBJECT TO THE ORDINARY BUDGET PROCESS OF THE CONDOMINIUM.

12 (D) A GOVERNING BODY SHALL CONSIDER THE AVAILABILITY OF 13 SUFFICIENT PARKING TO MEET THE NEEDS OF THE COMMUNITY BEFORE 14 INSTALLING OR AUTHORIZING THE INSTALLATION OF ELECTRIC VEHICLE 15 RECHARGING EQUIPMENT IN COMMON USE OR LIMITED COMMON USE PARKING 16 SPACES.

17 (E) NOTWITHSTANDING THE PROVISIONS OF § 11–125 OF THIS TITLE, THE 18 GOVERNING BODY MAY GRANT A LICENSE FOR UP TO 3 YEARS, RENEWABLE AT THE 19 DISCRETION OF THE GOVERNING BODY, ON ANY COMMON ELEMENT NECESSARY FOR 20 THE INSTALLATION OF EQUIPMENT OR FOR THE SUPPLY OF ELECTRICITY TO ANY 21 ELECTRIC VEHICLE RECHARGING EQUIPMENT.

22 11**B**–111.11.

23 (A) IN THIS SECTION, "ELECTRIC VEHICLE RECHARGING EQUIPMENT" HAS 24 THE MEANING STATED IN § 11–111.4 OF THIS ARTICLE.

(B) A RECORDED COVENANT OR RESTRICTION, A PROVISION IN A
DECLARATION, OR A PROVISION IN THE BYLAWS OR RULES OF A HOMEOWNERS
ASSOCIATION MAY NOT PROHIBIT OR UNREASONABLY RESTRICT THE GOVERNING
BODY FROM INSTALLING OR AUTHORIZING THE INSTALLATION OF ELECTRIC
VEHICLE RECHARGING EQUIPMENT IN COMMON USE OR LIMITED COMMON USE
PARKING SPACES.

(C) THE INSTALLATION OR AUTHORIZATION OF INSTALLATION OF
 ELECTRIC VEHICLE RECHARGING EQUIPMENT BY A GOVERNING BODY SHALL BE
 SUBJECT TO THE ORDINARY BUDGET PROCESS OF THE HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION.

34 (D) A GOVERNING BODY SHALL CONSIDER THE AVAILABILITY OF

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5 (E) THE GOVERNING BODY MAY GRANT A LICENSE FOR UP TO 3 YEARS, 6 RENEWABLE AT THE DISCRETION OF THE GOVERNING BODY, ON ANY COMMON 7 ELEMENT NECESSARY FOR THE INSTALLATION OF EQUIPMENT OR FOR THE SUPPLY 8 OF ELECTRICITY TO ANY ELECTRIC VEHICLE RECHARGING EQUIPMENT.

9 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall be construed to 10 apply retroactively and shall be applied to and interpreted to affect any covenant or 11 restriction, or provision in a declaration, bylaws, or rules, recorded or adopted before the 12 effective date of this Act.

13 SECTION 3. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect 14 October 1, 2025.