

County Council of Howard County, Maryland

2022 Legislative Session

Legislative day # 5

RESOLUTION NO. 30 - 2022

Introduced by: Deb Jung

A RESOLUTION expressing the County Council's support for State Senate Bill 658 and House Bill 1103, which would create a Maryland Aviation Infrastructure Impacts Commission.

Introduced and read first time on 3-7-2022, 2022.

By order

Michelle Harrod
Michelle Harrod, Administrator to the County Council

Read for a second time and a public hearing held on N/A, 2022.

By order

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This Resolution was read the third time and was Adopted , Adopted with amendments ____, Failed ____, Withdrawn ____ by the County Council on 3-7-2022, 2022.

Certified by

Michelle Harrod
Michelle Harrod, Administrator to the County Council

NOTE: [[text in brackets]] indicates deletions from existing law; TEXT IN SMALL CAPITALS indicates additions to existing law. ~~Strike-out~~ indicates material deleted by amendment; Underlining indicates material added by amendment.

1 **WHEREAS**, Baltimore–Washington International Thurgood Marshall Airport has a
2 significant impact on both the business and residential sectors in Howard County; and

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4 **WHEREAS**, it is vital to study information related to the public health, medical, and
5 environmental impacts on individuals residing in communities surrounding airports, including
6 hard infrastructure such as construction projects and soft infrastructure such as flight paths and
7 related procedures, with a primary emphasis on Baltimore–Washington International Thurgood
8 Marshall Airport (BWI); and

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10 **WHEREAS**, impacted communities and individuals should have a role and a voice in the
11 operations and growth of the Airport to help mitigate any deleterious health and environmental
12 impacts on those individuals and communities; and

13 **WHEREAS**, State Senate Bill 658 and House Bill 1103, propose the creation of a
14 Maryland Aviation Infrastructure Impacts Commission that would provide an opportunity and
15 structure for the impacts of airport flights and procedures on individuals and communities to be
16 studied and addressed; and

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18 **WHEREAS**, a Maryland Aviation Infrastructure Impacts Commission would make
19 recommendations to the General Assembly based on data so that State lawmakers can balance
20 economic development of BWI with the quality of life for individuals and communities affected
21 by BWI's current and future operations and procedures.

22 **NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the County Council of Howard County,
23 Maryland this 7 day of March, 2022, that the County Council favors the passage
24 of State Senate Bill 658 and House Bill 1103, which would create a Maryland Aviation
25 Infrastructure Impacts Commission; and

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27 **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the Administrator of the County Council shall send
28 a copy of this Resolution as written testimony in support of Senate Bill 658 and House Bill 1103,
29 which will have hearings on March 9 in front of the Senate Finance Committee and in front of the

1 House Appropriations Committee on March 10, respectively; and

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3 **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the Administrator of the County Council shall send
4 a copy of this Resolution to State Senators Lam, Elfreth, Guzzone, Hester, and Reilly and to
5 Delegates Hill, Ebersole, Feldmark, and Terrasa, requesting that they share the Council's support
6 with the other members of the General Assembly in the way best suited to hasten the passage of
7 Senate Bill 658 and House Bill 1103.