

Maryland Municipal League

The Association of Maryland's Cities and Towns

TESTIMONY

February 7, 2023

Committee: House Environment and Transportation Committee

Bill: HB 104 – Municipalities – Charter Amendments – Notice

Position: Support

Reason for Position:

The Maryland Municipal League supports HB 104 which provides an alternative public notice procedure for municipalities to inform their residents of a charter amendment.

Incorporated municipalities throughout the state expend thousands of dollars each year on newspaper advertisements to post legal notices pertaining to a charter amendment, an annexation, a new or amended comprehensive master plan, a new or amended zoning regulation, and revenue changes relating to constant yield tax rates.

HB 104 would give a financial reprieve to many jurisdictions when they go through the charter amendment process and would reach more residents than just those with a newspaper subscription.

The Maryland Municipal League therefore respectfully requests the Committee provide HB 104 with a favorable report.

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