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BILL NO.: **HB 1010**

TITLE:Condominiums and Homeowners Associations – Governing
Documents – Electric Vehicle Charging Equipment

SPONSOR: Delegate Terrasa

COMMITTEE: Environment and Transportation

POSITION: SUPPORT

DATE: February 27, 2024

Baltimore County **SUPPORTS** House Bill 1010 – Condominiums and Homeowners Associations – Governing Documents – Electric Vehicle Recharging Equipment, which makes recorded covenants or provisions in by-laws of a condominium or homeowners association unenforceable if it effectively prohibits or unreasonably restricts the installation of electric vehicle charging equipment in common use parking spaces. The governing body may grant a renewable license for up to 3 years.

Baltimore County, like many other counties in Maryland, has been expanding the availability of Electric Vehicle Charging Equipment, and updating out local codes and standards to ensure that all chargers installed in public and private settings are both professionally installed and appropriately permitted. Any homeowner, including those residing within cooperative housing settings, should be allowed to install an EV Charger at their own cost. Homeowners who abide by County building codes and relevant permitting, pay for their own electricity use, and appropriately operate and maintain charging equipment should not be denied the growing necessity of installing an EV Charger. HB 1010 ensures that any cooperative housing member that applies to the housing governing body and abides by the local regulations cannot be denied the ability to install their own EV charger.

Accordingly, Baltimore County urges a **FAVORABLE** report on HB 1010 from the House Environment and Transportation committee. For more information, please contact Jenn Aiosa, Director of Government Affairs at jaiosa@baltimorecountymd.gov.