

COUNTY COUNCIL OF ANNE ARUNDEL COUNTY, MARYLAND

Legislative Session 2022, Legislative Day No. 13

Resolution No. 21-22

Introduced by Mr. Pruski and Ms. Lacey

By the County Council, June 21, 2022

A RESOLUTION ENTITLED

1 Charter Amendment – The Legislative Branch – Legislative Procedure – Publication of
2 County Laws
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4 RESOLUTION proposing an amendment to the Charter of Anne Arundel County to
5 remove the requirement that copies of bills and notices of public hearings be posted on a
6 bulletin board and to require that electronic copies of bills and notice of any public hearing
7 be published to the County Council website and printed copies be made available to the
8 public and press
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10 *Be it resolved by the County Council of Anne Arundel County, Maryland, That the*
11 *following amendment to the Anne Arundel County Charter is proposed for submission to*
12 *the qualified voters of the County at the General Election in November 2022:*
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14 **Article III. The Legislative Branch**
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16 **Sec. 307. Legislative Procedure.**
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18 (h) **Publication of County Laws.** On the introduction of any bill, ~~[[a]] AN ELECTRONIC~~
19 ~~copy thereof and notice of the time and place of the hearing shall be posted by the~~
20 ~~Administrative Officer to the County Council as soon as practicable [[on an official bulletin~~
21 ~~board to be set up by the County Council in a public place]] ON THE COUNTY COUNCIL~~
22 ~~WEBSITE. [[and additional]] PRINTED copies of the bill shall be made available to the public~~
23 ~~and to the press. Every copy of each bill shall bear the name of the member of the Council~~
24 ~~introducing it and the date it was introduced for the consideration of the Council; and no~~
25 ~~bill, unless it be an emergency bill, shall be passed before the seventh calendar day after~~
26 ~~such date. [[Upon the passage of any bill by the County Council, it]] EACH BILL shall~~
27 ~~receive such publication as may from time to time be required by law.~~
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29 *And be it further resolved, That the following question is adopted for submittal to the*
30 *qualified voters of the County at the General Election in November 2022 for their adoption*
31 *or rejection:*
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33 “To amend the Anne Arundel County Charter to remove the requirement that copies of
34 bills and notices of public hearings be posted on a bulletin board and to require that
35 electronic copies of bills and notice of any public hearing be published to the County
36 Council website and that printed copies of bills be made available to the public and press
37 and that bills receive required publication.”

1 *And be it further resolved,* That this question shall be designated as Question “__” on
2 the ballot at the General Election in November 2022.

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4 *And be it further resolved,* That if the majority of qualified votes cast in the election
5 are for the Charter Amendment, this amendment shall stand adopted from and after the 30th
6 day following the election.

READ AND PASSED this 5th day of July, 2022.

By Order:



Laura Corby
Administrative Officer

I HEREBY CERTIFY THAT RESOLUTION NO. 21-22 IS TRUE AND CORRECT AND DULY
ADOPTED BY THE COUNTY COUNCIL OF ANNE ARUNDEL COUNTY.



Lisa D. B. Rodvien
Chair