

# County Council Of Howard County, Maryland

2012 Legislative Session

Legislative Day No. 8

## Resolution No. 102 - 2012

Introduced by: The Chair at the Request of the Charter Review Commission

A RESOLUTION proposing to amend Section 209 "Legislative procedure" of the Howard County Charter by permitting the County Council to extend the amount of time to consider legislation before the Council; and submitting this amendment to the voters of Howard County for their adoption or rejection in accordance with Article X of the Howard County Charter and Article XIA of the Maryland Constitution.

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Introduced and read first time June 4, 2012.

By order Stephen M. LeGendre  
Stephen M. LeGendre, Administrator

Read for a second time and a public hearing held on June 18, 2012.

Tabled July 2, 2012

By order Stephen M. LeGendre  
Stephen M. LeGendre, Administrator

This Resolution was read for the third time and was Adopted , Adopted with amendments , Failed , Withdrawn  by the County Council on July 26, 2012.

By order Stephen M. LeGendre  
Stephen M. LeGendre, Administrator

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

1           **BE IT RESOLVED** by the County Council of Howard County, Maryland, that  
2    Section 209 “Legislative procedure” subsection (h) “Failure of bills”, of Article II, “The  
3    Legislative Branch”, of the Howard County Charter, be, and is hereby amended to read  
4    as follows:

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6           **Section 209. Legislative Procedure.**

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8           (h) *Failure of bills.* Any bill not passed within sixty-five calendar days after its  
9    introduction shall fail, unless, by affirmative vote of two-thirds of the members,  
10   the Council shall extend the deadline for another thirty days. THE COUNCIL MAY  
11   APPROVE A MAXIMUM OF TWO SUCH EXTENSIONS FOR EACH BILL.

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13           **AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** by the County Council of Howard  
14    County, Maryland, that at the next general election to be held in Maryland, the proposed  
15    amendment to the Howard County Charter shall be submitted to the voters of Howard  
16    County for their adoption or rejection in accordance with the provisions of the Article X  
17    of the Howard County Charter and Article XIA of the Maryland Constitution, and if  
18    adopted by the majority of the voters, shall stand adopted from and after the 30<sup>th</sup> day  
19    following the general election;

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21           **AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** by the County Council of Howard  
22    County, Maryland, that this Resolution, having been approved by two-thirds of the  
23    members of the Howard County Council, stands adopted this \_\_\_\_\_ day of  
24    \_\_\_\_\_, 2012 in accordance with Article X of the Howard County Charter.