

Wireless “Small Cells” Are Coming...

How Should Maryland Roll This Out?

The Maryland Municipal League (MML), Maryland Association of Counties (MACo), and Baltimore City support the “Community Coalition” legislation because local governments **WANT** this technology in our state. **SUPPORT HB1020/SB0713!**

It’s a matter of how the deployment is managed.

The Community Coalition bill will...



Create clear, easily understood, fair and balanced rules for small cell deployment in state, county, and municipal Rights-of-Way.



Uphold local zoning regulations to ensure that community character is protected and visual blight is avoided.



Preserve an open and transparent approval process with public input through public hearings.



Consider community needs and aesthetics for placement of new facilities, especially in areas such as historic districts and residential neighborhoods where utilities are completely undergrounded.



Codify state and local government authority left in place subsequent to the FCC Order, which caps costs and establishes timelines for deployment.



Ensure that underserved areas will receive improved connections through a fund established in the legislation to expand wireless technology in predominantly rural areas of the state.



Build a Maryland deployment model, tied to Maryland’s needs and goals, based on local input instead of forcing a “one size fits all” solution in our state.

CO-SPONSOR HB1020/SB0713

Bring Small Cells to Maryland as a Partnership With Communities



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